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What is the Matter With Business?

WITH coal mines working short time, the above is a natural question for those who depend upon the industry for a livelihood to ask. A few days ago, the Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Herbert Hoaver, summed up the business situation in the following words:

OThere never was and never will be a time when some part of this gigantic working machine cannot rightly complain of something. Otherwise, it would be the millenium. Moreover, it is only say years since we were engaged in the most destructive war of all history, and it takes a while to get over it all.

"Yet today we are the only great nation where there is no suffering from unemployment; where everybody has food, clothing, shelter, and most people have many comforts besides.

"For instance, something like three-quarters of all our families have an automobile, and that is a long distance from starvation.

"Moreover, ours is the only country that is constantly reducing expenses, debt and taxation.

"I should expect our industries to produce more goods in 1925 than ever before; likewise, we are building more homes, doing more construction generally, and our farmers, after three years of great difficulties, are at last having a turn for the better.

OThe consumption of goods is at a very high rate, the efficiency of our utilities, industries and business generally is steadily improving.

"A larger proportion of our children are going to school than ever before in history, and more of our youth is going to college.

"Our public health is improving steadily; working hours are becoming shorter; our people are

having more time for recreation.
"There are a host of things that can be improved and a lot of families that we would like to see with better and more certain incomes, better homes and all sorts of better things.

"We are on the road to progress as a nation, but that is no reason for relaxing effort.

"In view of all this, am disposed to think we can be more cheerful than mournful during the coming summer."

The coal industry was so grossly inflated as to mines and man power that its task toward reorganization was a formidable one, and the present process of reducing its waist line is not much less painful and violent than that experienced by Mother Earth when the cooling down period caused her to tighten her waist line, the mountainons upheavals of the great west evidence of the convulsions she then suffered.

There are two ways in which deflation ean be precipitated, the one leading to wage reductions, the other to the employment of better and more economical methods. Frankly we prefer the second way out; in any case economics must come if individual properties are to survive.

Our Safety First Flag

E LSEWHERE the Safety Engineer makes mention of the fact that steps are being taken to compute the record covering comparative number of accidents on a "man shift" instead of a "tonnage" basis, this change conforming to approved practice, thereafter a special flag will be awarded to the mining district that shows the best record for freedom from accidents during the preceding six months, the district winning the banner three consecutive times to be given a suitable trophy.

We are confident that a nifty "Safety First Flag" flying from the top of a neat steel flag pole will add stimulus to the Safety Movement.

The North Carolina Mine Explosion

ON May 27th the Carolina Coal Company Mine at Coal Glenn, N. C., exploded, killing fifty-two men, but six escaping. The Coal Glenn Mine lies in an extension of the Piedmont, Va., field and is one of the two mines operating in the state. The field is a gaseous one, badly faulted, and as this is written, the exploration work yet incomplete, the cause of the explosion is not known.

It seems almost surdonic to say that whenever a body of eoal operators meet to consider mining methods an explosion generally occurs, the American Mining Congress in session at Cincinnati when this accident occurred.

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Edgar Allan Poe

Poet and Story Writer, Born Boston, January 19th, 1809; Died Baltimore, October 7th, 1849,

By Eugene McAuliffe

NE cannot read the life of Edgar Allan Poe without feeling that some somber, melancholy influence hung over his head from the hour of his birth to that of his pitifully unfortunate death, which came after a period of intoxication, heightened by the use of narcotics. John Poe, who laid the foundation of the Poe name in America, emigrated from the North of Ireland some years before the revolution, first living on a Pennsylvania farm, afterwards removing to Cecil County, Virginia. During the revolution he lived in Baltimore, his wife, a Miss Jane McBride, said to have been the sister of Admiral James McBride of the British Navy and later Member of Parliament. From John Poe descended General David Poe of the Revolutionary Army, friend of Lafayette, and David Poe, Jr., father of the ill-starred genins, Edgar Poe, who first studied law, thereafter abandoning both the General's roof

and the law prolish actress, Eliza-

beth Arnold Hopkins, then a widow. David Poe, Jr., failed as an actor, and to beantiful, graceful and talented, but never distin tress, fell the burden of supporting the three chil nnion; William Henry, the first born, Edgar, and

fession for the stage, marrying a gifted young Eng

Shortly after the birth of the last child, the father death and burial place, today unknown. Born in

defeat, which sur the poet's parents, privation marked hood, the young poverty and want, ginia, December 8th, ber preceding Mrs. actor friends arra benefit for her re young mother and expressed in a card "Richmond Enquir On this night, Mrs. surrounded by her asks it perhaps for the mother, whose beau troyer, instant re dren were separat



the wife, who was guished as an aedren, born of this a girl, Rosalie. died, his illness, an atmosphere of rounded both of bitter distress and the boy's childmother dying in in Richmond, Viv-1811. In the Octo-Poe's death, her nged a theatrical

lief and the distressed condition of the her three small children was poignantly which appeared November 29th in the The peet, his wife, Virginia, er," which read: "TO THE HUMANE, and the Ferdham Cottage Poe, lingering on the bed of disease and where Virginia died."

ehildren, asks your assistance, and last time." The good women of Richmond gave the young ty and grace had fled before the attacks of the great deslief, and when the spirit had fled her wasted frame, the chiled; William Henry, the elder, going to his grandfather in

Baltimore: Rosalie, the youngest, was adopted by a Mrs. MacKenzie, in time attaining a ripe old age, while Edgar was adopted by a Mrs. John Allan, wife of a Scotsman engaged in the tobacco trade and who later acquired considerable wealth. Henceforth, the boy became known as Edgar Allan Poe. The brother and sister, like the young lawyer-actor father, left at best but very faint imprints on the sands of time, any record of their lives, loves, joys, sorrows and work, long ago obliterated.

In the days of Poe, education was the fortune of the few. To be educated then was to be able to speak and write English well and fluently, to read and write Latin and to have a broad knowledge of the world's literature, Latin, Greek and English. Such science as was taught went to the few who were preparing for the professions of medicine and teaching. Mechanical and Electrical Engineering were yet to appear and the world's knowledge of higher mathematics, astronomy and architectural design was largely in the possession of the Church, and that reminds us that scant praise is this day accorded the Church for the great pioneering work done by it through long, dark and troublesome ages in building up and keeping alive the knowledge which now lies at the foundation of our civilization.

June 17th, 1815, the Allans, with the boy Edgar, sailed for England. Scarcely past six years of age, yet a mere child, sorrowing for the beautiful little mother who had passed out of his life, he was placed in the Manor House School, Stoke-Newington, (where Eugene Aram, the Murderer, had been an usher). Fast by was the house once occupied by Anne Boleyn's ill fated lover, Earl Perey, and by that favorite of Queen Elizabeth, Leicester. Essex, friend of Shakespeare, likewise once lived close by and the child often gazed at the thick walls and deep windows and doors, behind which De Foe's "Robinson Crusoe" was written. There was laid the foundation for the restless, morbid, unhappy and depressed disposition that pressed down upon Poe until his unhappy end. At the age of twelve, the Allans brought the boy back to Richmond, until his unhappy end. At the age of twelve, the Allans brought the boy back to Richmond, where he entered the English and Classical School of Joseph H. Clarke, there to prepare for College. While in the Clarke School, he displayed great mental alertness, even brilliancy, excelling in languages and athletics—withall he was unpopular, his extreme sensitiveness, moody disposition and pride of intellect repelling his school mates; the boy stood alone, a soul apart. During this distrait period, with an intellect developed beyond his years, but bearing in his bosom the sobbing heart of a homeless child, he formed a passionate devotion for the mother of a classmate, a woman of mature years, who had befriended him, and after her sudden death, the boy suffered paroxisms of weeping, spending many dreary autumn nights prostrate and sorrowing on her grave.

At seventeen Poe entered the University of Virginia to specialize in Latin, Greek, French, Spanish, and Italian. Here he stood first in his classes, but he plunged into gambling, and leaving his debts behind him, he entered the Counting house of Mr. Allan, publishing a small volume of fugitive poems in 1827, when but eighteen years of age. Restless and unhappy, he next left his foster Father's employ, and, without Friends or money, he went the way that many a friendless boy yet takes, that of enlisting in the Army. Perhaps it was army discipline, perhaps action, that made young Poe a good soldier, his intelligence and painstaking efficiency winning him the highest non-commissioned rank, Sergeant-Major. Feeling that he had at last found bis place, he next asked Mr. Allan to assist him in gaining entrance to West Point, where, after his arrival, he at once became intensely dissatisfied, shirking his studies, and in many ways making himself deliberately obnoxious to his superiors: caricaturing their methods, a favorite form of offense. One does not stroll about historic and beautiful old West Point long, nor talk to many of the alert, manly boys, who make up its classes, without hearing reference to Cadet Poe, of brilliant, unhappy memory. The vagaries of Cadets Poe and James Whistler, the Artist, are live traditions at West Point, though both passed out the main gate, dishonored.

At twenty-two. Poe published a second edition of his poems, and in 1833, when but twenty-four, he entered a short story writing contest, submitting six stories, his Ms. Found in a Bottle winning the prize of one hundred dollars, a life saver, coming as it did when be even wanted for food. One of the judges in charge of the contest, a Mr. John P. Kennedy, recognizing in the person of the starving youth a great genius, found work for him as a hack writer.

Before touching on the one great relationship of Poe's life, that of the overwhelming and devotedly passionate love he bore his child wife, mention may well here be made of the fact that, unlike so many of the world's great poets who sang in his generation and whose songs yet thrill all humankind, Poc's relations with womankind were above reproach. Wretched in childhood, in later manhood and death, to Poc woman stood on a pedestal above the passions and sins of the world. While in the service of Mr. Kennedy, he went to live with a widowed aunt, Mrs. Clemm, who had one child, Virginia, the poct's cousin. The records of the War Department in Washington, covering the enlistment as a private soldier of Edgar A. Perry, the name he assumed, state that be had "gray cycs, brown hair and a fair complexion, and was five feet eight inches in height." His last picture, a daguerreotype, made in Richmond, bears evidence of great intellect; his regular clear cut features and high forchead crowned with a profusion of curly hair, suggesting physical attractiveness, and that he was the possessor of great physical strength is well proved by the fact that in his fifteenth year, he swam six miles in the James River against a strong tide, walking back without show of fatigue. In Mrs. Clemm, whom he spoke of as his "mother," he found an affectionate and loving guide, and while under her roof he lived both wisely and well, falling, however, romantically in love with his child cousin, Virginia Clemm. Poe's illogical, impetons nature again displayed itself when on September 22nd, 1834, he secured a license to wed this child of twelve, the marriage solemnized two years later, May 16th, 1836, when Virginia was but fourteen years of age. By this time, much effective literary work had been accomplished, the youth serving as editor of "the Southern Literary Messenger" of Richmond, at a salary of \$10 per week, later raised to \$800 and again to \$1,000 per year.

Pre's reversion to past dissipations led to his leaving the service of the "Messenger," and with Mrs. Clemm and Virginia, he moved to New York in 1837, Mrs. Clemm again establishing a boarding house to aid in their joint support. Much good work developed from this period, reviews, short sketches, editorial work and certain of his short stories which yet live. In 1841, his gentle, delicate wife, then nineteen, fragile as an exotic flower, ruptured a blood vessel and for six years her life hung on a thin thread, the suspense and anxiety suffered, reflected in much of his literary work, such as Eleanora and The Raven. It was likewise during this period that

Poe became, as has been said, "The most hated man in the literary world." His reviews, ever bitter and eaustic, brought down upon him the wrath of the New England literati and as he never failed to strike back, his work, devoid of joy, exhausted him; his extreme poverty and the illness of his beloved wife, dragging him down into thepit of despair. The first acknowledgement of Poe's literary greatness came from an alien pen, France, and depressed and despairing, he recurringly sought surecase in intoxicants and opium. On January 30th, 1847, the supreme tragedy of his life came with the death of his wife, whom he immortalized in his poem, Annabel Lee.

ANNABEL LEE

It was many and many a year ago,
In a kingdom by the sea
That a maiden there lived whom you may know
By the name of Annabel Lee;
And this mailen she lived with no other thought
Than to love and be loved by me.

I was a child and she was a child,
In this kingdom by the sea,
But we loved with a love that was more than loveI and my Annabel Lee—
With a love that the winged scraphs of heaven
Coveted her and me,

And this was the reason that, long ago,
In this kingdom by the sea,
A wind blew ont of a cloud, chilling
My beautiful Annabel Lee;
So that her highborn kinsmen came
And bore her away from me,
To shut her up in a sepulchre
In this kingdom by the sea.

The angels, not half so happy in heaven,
Went envying her and me—
Yes!—that was the reason (as all men know,
In this kingdom by the sea)
That the wind came out of the cloud by night,
Chilling and killing my Annabel Lee,

But our love it was stronger by far than the love Of those who were older than we— Of many far wiser than we— And neither the angels in heaven above, Nor the demons down under the sea,

Can ever dissever my soul from the soul Of the beautiful Annabel Lee:

For the moon never beams, without bringing me dreams

Of the beautiful Annabel Lee; And the stars never rise, but I feel the bright eyes Of the beautiful Annabel Lee:

And so, all the night-tide, I lie down by the side
Of my darling—my darling—my life and my bride,
In the sepulchre there by the sea—
In her tomb by the sounding sea.

There are perhaps but few tragedies that approach more pitiful proportions than those which surrounded Poe, his wife and her mother at the hour of Virginia's death. The poet's love for his wife has been referred to as "a sort of rapturous worship for a spirit of beauty, which he felt was fading before his eyes." It was not the husband who watched a dying wife, but a mystic worshiper who thought that with her passing all the source of life, light, and heat in the world would vanish. In their great extremity, without food, heat, or medicine for the dying girl, a woman entered the poet's living place to afterwards say:

"I saw her (Virginia) in her bed-chamber. Everything here was so neat, so purely clean, so scant and poverty stricken, that I saw the poor sufferer with such a heartache. " " There was no clothing on the bed, which was only straw, but a snow-white counterpane and sheets. The weather was cold, and the sick lady had the dreadful chills that accompany the heetic fever of consumption. She lay on the straw bed, wrapped in her husband's great coat, with a large tortise-shell cat on her bosom. " " " " " The coat and the cat were the sufferer's only means of warmth, except as her husband held her hands, and her mother her feet."

Another good woman, a Mrs. Shew, was called in; a bed, food and medicine were supplied and from private subscription, sixty dollars was gathered, making easier the end. On a bleak, chilling February morning, the poet, stumbling along on foot behind the vehicle that bore his wife's remains to her last resting place, wore over his shoulders the old military cloak that eovered Virginia's emaciated and dying body two days before. Mrs. Shew, hoping to spare Poe's feelings, had laid the coat away, thinking its presence would revive death-bed memories, but the inelemency of the day and the sparseness of the poet's covering, forced her to restore it to him.

As suffering and privation has so often walked hand in hand with genius, it is perhaps a mistake to lament for Poe, who was more than a poet and story teller. With stumbling, faltering feet, he withal held his head above the clouds, "never stooping to chronicle small petty things or to sound the questionable glory of others."

Handicapped with infirmities and limitations that should never be the inheritance of youth, rising for brief periods out of the black pit that continuously strove to engulf him, only to sink at last, Poe proved himself a many sided genius. His short stories, while ever saturated with weird, mysterious horrors, even flowing at times with the putrescence of physical decay, show great creative thinking and powers of analysis. Mathematics and the abstruse sciences had marked fascination for him, and the fields of astronomy, galvanism (as electricity was then referred to), mesmerism and occultism, were made the basis of many stories. His Gold Bug; The Black Cat; The Unparalleled Adventure of One Hans Pfaall; The Murders in the Rue Morgue and A Descent into the MacIstrom, would serve well for reading by those who seek for thrills. Poe's fame, however, rests on his few rather short poems, The Raven, Lenore, Ulalume, The Bells and

Annabel Lee, these the World knows best. Many of his poems are rich in design, exquisite in melody and concentration of passion, words that haunt the memory for days after reading. Poe wrote and rewrote his work, polishing his verse and perfecting his rhythm, until it has been said that The Raven, Ulalume, and The Bells, stand among the most perfect metrical compositions in the English language. To Helen, To One in Paradise, and Israfel, all exquisite lyries, Poe owes much deserved fame. Keats, Shelley, Wordsworth and Poe, fixed lyrical poetry as the pre-eminent expression of youth, and Poe's few lyrical poems will live on and on.

THE RAVEN

Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered, weak and weary,

Over many a quaint and enrious volume of forgotten lore-

While I nodded, nearly napping, suddenly there came a tapping,

As of some one gently rapping, rapping at my chamber

"Pis some visitor," I muttered, "tapping at my chamber door-

Only this and nothing more."

Ah, distinctly I remember it was in the bleak December:

And each separate dying ember wrought its ghost upon the floor.

Eagerly I wished the morrow; -vainly I had sought to borrow

From my books surcease of sorrow-sorrow for the lost Lenore

For the rare and radiant maiden whom the angels name Lenore

Nameless here for evermore.

And the silken, sad, nucertain rustling of each purple curtain

Thrilled me-filled me with fautastic terrors never felt before;

So that now, to still the beating of my heart, I stood repeating

"Tis some visitor entreating entrance at my chamber door-

Some late visitor entreating entrance at my chamber door;-

This it is and nothing more,"

Presently my soul grew stronger; hesitating then no

longer, "Sir," said I, "or Madam, truly your forgiveness I implore;

But the fact is I was napping, and so gently you came rapping, And so faintly you came tapping, tapping at my

chamber door, That I scarce was sure I heard you' '-here I opened

wide the door;-

Darkness there and nothing more.

Deep iuto that darkness peering, long I stood there wondering, fearing,

Doubting, dreaming dreams no mortal ever dared to dream before;

But the silence was unbroken, and the stillness gave no token.

And the only word there spoken was the whispered word, "Lenore!"

This I whispered, and an echo murmured back the word, "Lenore!"

Merely this and nothing more.

Back into the chamber turning, all my soul within me burning,

Soon again I heard a tapping somowhat louder than

before. "Surely," said I, "surely that is something at my window lattice;

Let me sec, thon, what therent is, and this mystery exploreLet my heart be still a moment and this mystery explore;-

Open here I flung the shutter, when, with many a flirt and flutter

In there stepped a stately Raven of the saintly days of yore.

Not the least obeisauce made he; not a minute stopped or staved he:

But, with mien of lord or lady, perched above my chamber door-

Perched, and sat, and nothing more.

'Tis the wind and nothing more!''

Then this abony bird beguiling my sad fancy into smiling,

By the grave and stern decornm of the countenanco it wore.

"Though thy crest be shorn and shaven, thou," I said, "art sure no craven,

Ghastly grim and ancient Raven wandering from the Nightly shore

Tell me what thy lordly name is on the Night's Plutonian shore!"

Quoth the Raven, "Nevermore,"

Much I marvelled this ungainly fowl to hear discourse so plaiuly,

Though its answer little meaning-little relevancy bore;

For we cannot help agreeing that no living human being

Ever yet was blessed with seeing bird above his chamber door,
With such name as "Nevermore."

But the Raven, sitting lonely on the placid bust, spoke

That one word, as if his sonl in that one word he did outpoor.

Nothing farther then he uttered-not a feather then he fluttered-

Till I scarcely more than muttered "Other friends have flown before-

On the morrow he will leave me, as my hopes have flown before. Then the bird said "Nevermore."

Startled at the stillness broken by reply so aptly

spoken, "Doubtless," said I, "what it utters is its only stook and store

Caught from some unhappy master whom unmerciful Disaster

Followed fast and followed faster till his songs ono burden bore-

Till the dirges of his Hope that molancholy burdon bore

Of 'Never-nevermore.' "

But the Raven still beguiling all my fancy into smiling,

Straight I wheeled n cushioned seat in front of bird, and bust and door;

Then, upon the volvet sinking, I betook myself to linking

Fnncy unto fnncy, thinking what this ominous bird of yoreWhat this grim, ungainly, ghastly, gaunt, and ominous bird of yore

Meant in croaking "Nevermore."

This I sat engaged in gnessing, but no syllable expressing

To the fowl whose fiery eyes now burned into my bosom's core;

This and more I sat divining, with my head at ease reelining

On the cushion's velvet lining that the lamp-light

gloated o'er,
But whose velvet voilet lining with the lamp-light
gloating o'er,
She shall press, ah, nevermore!

Then, methought, the air grew denser, perfumed from an unseen censer

Swung by Scraphin whose foot-falls tinkled on the tufted floor.

"Wretch," I cried, "thy God hath lent thee-by these angels he hath sent thee

Respite—respite and nepeuthe from thy memories of Lenore;

Quaff, oh quaff this kind nepenthe and forget this lost Lenore!"

Quoth the Raven "Nevermore."

"Prophet!" said I, "thing of evil! prophet still, if bird or devil!--

Whether Tempter sent, or whether tempests tossed thee here ashoro,

Desolate yet all undaunted, on this desert land enehanted—
On this home by Horror haunted—tell me truly, I

Is there—is there balm in Gilead?—tell me—tell mo,

J implore!"

Quoth the Raven "Nevermore,"

"Prophet!" said I, "thing of evil!—prophet still, if bird or devil!

By that Henren that bends above us-by that God we both adore-

Tell this soul with sorrow laden if, within the distant Aidenn,

It shall clasp a sainted maiden whom the angels name Lenore—

Clasp a rare and radiant maiden whom the angels name Lenore."

Quoth the Raven "Nevermore,"

"Be that word onr sign of parting, bird or fiend!" I shricked, upstarting-

"Get thee back into the tempest and the Night's Plutonian shore!

Leave no black plume as a token of that lie thy soul hath spoken!

Leave my loneliness unbroken!—quit the bust above my door!

Take thy beak from out my heart, and take thy form from off my door!"

Quoth the Raven "Nevermore."

And the Raven, never flitting, still is sitting, still is sitting

On the pallid bust of Pallas just above my chamber door;

And his eyes have all the seeming of a demon's that is dreaming,

And the lamp-light o'er him streaming throws his shadow on the floor;

And my soul from out that shadow that lies floating on the floor

Shall be lifted-nevermore!

For two years after Virginia's death, Poe staggered down his via dolorosa earrying his cross of poverty, dissipation, drink, opium, illness. A physician's examination developed a lesion of the brain and a heart that beat ten times, then suspended or intermitted; a condition that made drink and narcotics doubly fatal. Through all, his "mother," Mrs. Clemm, a woman described as "beautiful and saintly" with a life given up to "privation and sorrowful tenderness," wearing "habitually and unconsciously refined manners" stood by, earing for and protecting him as best she could. Of her he wrote:

TO MY MOTHER

Because I feel that, in the Heavens above,

The angels, whispering to one auother,
Can find, among their burning terms of love,
Noue so devotional as that of "Mother,"
Therefore by that dear name I long have called you—
You who are more than mother unto me,
And fill my heart of hearts, where Death installed you,
In setting my Virginia's spirit free.
My mother—my own mother, who died early,
Was but the mother of myself; but you
Are mother to the one I loved so dearly,
And thus are dearer than the mother I knew
By that infinity with which my wife
Was dearer to my soul than its soul-life.

On June 29th, 1849, he left the cottage at Fordham, near New York City, to go to Richmond. He sickened in Philadelphia and his beloved "mother" heard nothing of him for some weeks, arriving at last in Richmond, when the clouds that long shut out the sun, seemed to break. In Richmond he renewed old friendships, making likewise some new ones. A lady, then a young girl, in whose home he spent his last evening in Richmond prior to his departure for Fordham to settle up his affairs, preparatory to moving to Richmond for good, made after mention of his cheerful anticipation of a happy future, expressing the opinion that in leaving New York, all his old sorrows and vexations would be left behind. The following day (September 30th), he left for New York, and what befell him in the next three days is not known, but on October 3rd, he was found outside the Fourth Ward polling place in Baltimore by an old friend, Dr. Snodgrass. Unconscious, his Jove-like brow and curling mass of hair soiled and disheveled, with his pockets empty, his trunk and contents stolen, his friends carried him to Washington Hospital where he

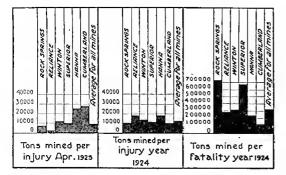
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One Fatality During April



AGAIN we have to record a fatal accident during the month. Andrew Ruskanen, a contractor at Hanna No. 4 Mine, was instantly killed April 4th by a premature blast, the cause of ignition being impossible to determine. While every precaution apparently had been taken, for some unknown reason the detonation occurred and Ruskanen met his death.

Although in the past years in the Union Pacific mines, deaths due to powder have numbered but a small percentage of the whole, this accident should impress upon each and every one of us the need of handling powder and detouators with the greatest of care.

Investigation of most of the accidents which have occurred in the past has shown in almost every instance an element of carelessuess on the part of the one who was actually handling the powder. In this particular case there was certainly no apparent carelessness or thoughtlessness on the part of the unfortunate man. Every precaution was being taken, but in spito of every safeguard it, apparently without cause, prematurely detonated.

Very often when the mine foreman or safety patrolman insists that the powder bo kept in a separate box, or that the spikes and file must be taken from the powder box, or possibly that the electric caps must be placed in a recess in a rib at a safe distance from the powder, you may think that the ananagement is going to petty extremes and causing you an undue hardship. This accident only too vividly illustrates that with everything we can do, and surrounded with every possible precaution, enough is not being done. In order to mine coal we must have powder. If we must have powder, let's have CARE.

In the miaor accidents there is little change, the general average for proceding months being practically maintained. This, again, is due in a large part to the decreased production. The production for all mines during May dropped to slightly less than 150,000 tons with fourteen minor accidents and oue fatal accident, or an average of 10,000 tons for each accident. With normal production the accident rate expressed in tons would show a material improvement, although there might be an increase in the number injured.

Accidents to be Calculated on Man Shift Basis

BEGINNING with the next issue of The Employes' Magazine, the accident graph will be calculated on a man shift basis in place of the present method of tous per injury.

This will give a much better relative comparison of the injuries in the different districts, owing to the wide variation of the working time and mining conditions in the various mines.

The present graph, calculated on a production basis, is often so distorted that a wrong impression is conveyed. For instance, a glance at the graph in the present issue will show that Winton had but 12,000 tons per accident, while Cumberland produced nearly 30,000 tons for each injury. From this it appears that far more accidents occurred at Winton that Cumberland, when, as a matter of fact, each district had but one minor accident, but the much better working time at Cumberland resulted in a much larger production and, apparently, in the graphic story, is a lesser accident record.

The same holds true in the representation under "Tons Mined per Fatality, Year 1924." This shows Rock Springs with slightly over 700,000 tons, and Winton with 200,000 tons for each fatal accident. Fach of these places had one fatality, but the greater production at Rock Springs gives it an apparent better rating than if figured on the fairer man shift basis.

Again, there is a wide variation of working conditions. Height of coal in the Union Pacific mines varies from 6 feet to 32 feet. This naturally causes a similar variation in tons produced for each employe per eight hour shift, so that it is considered much fairer to each place to show the graph on a basis of man shifts, each eight hours for each employe being considered as one man shift.

To further stimulate interest the accident rate for each district will be calculated for each six months' period, and the district having the best record will be preseated with an appropriate flag or pennaut to be flowu ou the district flag pole for the following six menths, or until won by another district with a better record. Any district winning a pennant three conscentive times will be presented with a suitable trophy.

Who will got the first flag?

April Accidents

The following are a few of the injuries occurring in the mines during April:

Miner—While digging coal at face a piece of coal about size of au egg struck him in eye, bruising it badly.

Driver—Was snubbiag empty car up room. Car derailed on switch causiag him to fall off, his right foot being injured by the bumper.

Tippleman—Tippleman in coupling empty cars in some manner caught hand between bimpers, causing lacerations of fingers.

Rope Runner—An empty car had derailed on entry parting. In rerailing car it lodged against prop,

eausing sufficient pull on rope to jerk loose two side rollers. He was standing on inside of curve and was caught by swing of the rope, causing a compound fracture of left leg.

Miner-Was struck on ankle by a piece of falling rock from roof.

Miner-While coupling loaded ears, he placed his shoulders between the cars and was squeezed about the chest,

Loader-While leading a car at the face placed a large piece of coal on ear, getting hand caught between the coal and side of car, resulting in a lacerated thumb.

Motorman-Was snubbing a car up the room. Rear wheels became detailed and he was lifting ear back on the track. His horse, which was a trifle wild, backed upon him pushing him

against the rib, causing a fractured arm.

Timberman—Was lifting a rail and sprained ligaments of his back.

Miner-Was taking down some loose rock near the face. A piece of coal rolled from the face, bruising foot.

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Miner—Was assisting driver to lift a car upon the track. Electrode from battery leaked out, causing a small burn upon hip. Did not report

to physician for treatment until a week later. Loader—Was loading a car at the working face. In lifting a large piece of coal into the ear it broke, part falling on the outside, bruising leg and ankle.

Loader-Was dropping a loaded car down the room. As car was going around slight curve, the rope swung over, knocking him down, spraining right knee.

Rock Contractor-Was instantly killed at face of rock tunnel while connecting up a round of charged holes. The cause of the premature blast is unknown.





Commutating Poles for Direct **Current Machines**

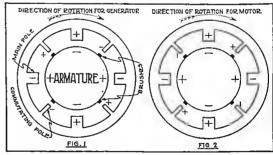
By D. C. McKechan

COMMUTATING poles are small poles placed between the main field poles of direct current machines and are provided with a heavy winding which is connected in series with the armature, and consequently produces a commutating field proportional to the load current,

They are also called interpoles. Such poles are very commonly used on direct current generators, on adjustable speed direct current motors and on locomo-

Armature reaction in direct current machines, not provided with commutating poles, requires that the brushes be shifted forward as the load increases in the case of a generator, and backwards in the case of a motor. If this is not done the brushes are subject to considerable sparking and flashing as the load changes. The purpose of the commutating poles is to make brush shifting unnecessary and to maintain perfect commutation at the brushes, regardless of the direction of rotation.

The reader is referred to textbooks for a more thorough discussion of armature reaction than can be presented here. However, the salient features regarding the subject and method of determining proper polarity will be given. Figure 1 shows main and commutating poles for a generator which revolves clock-wise as shown by the arrow. The main poles are wider in section than the commutating poles and each are marked a definite polarity. The armature polarity adjacent to the main poles is also marked. From this you will see that the commutating pole following a main pole in the direction of rotation has opposite polarity. Figure 2 shows that for a motor revolving in the same direction the polarity is the same.



and reason for this is evident when you remember that in the case of a generator the armature reaction causes a distortion of the magnetic flux in the directiou of rotation, the reverse being true in the case of a motor.

To correct for this distortion the commutating polo polarity is such that it opposes the armature polarity (remember that like poles repel) and neutralizes the tendency to distort the magnetic flux from the main fields.

In case it is necessary to reverse the armature leads of a commutating pole machine, the commutating pole leads should also be reversed. Commutating pole coils incorrectly connected invariably cause vicious sparking at the brushes.

Mine Tracks and Turnouts

By Jas. L. Libby

The seemed installment of the article on Mine Tracks and Turnonts by Mr. Libby appears below, The coochiding installment will be published in the July issue.

Grade Resistance

Resistance due to grades is always 20 pounds per ton for each % of grade, (as 1% of 2000 lbs, equals 20 lbs.). Rolling friction for ears equipped with plain bearing whoels is about 30 lbs, per ton on a level track, while cars equipped with roller bearing wheels show about 20 lbs.

The majority of pit cars weigh approximately three times as much loaded as when emply, and on this basis the favorable grade is 71% in favor of the loads for plain bearing wheels and 4/10% for roller bearing whiels.

The angle of repose, or that grade at which cars are on the verge of movement by gravity and on which if moving will not accelerate in speed, is 1.5% grade for plain bearing wheels and 1% for roller bearing wheels. These grades are ideal for gravity switches when cars are well oiled, in proper repair and the tracks kept clean, but if the cars are kicked in, a lighter grade is preferable. Starting friction is about 60 lbs. per ton for plain bearing wheels and 35 lbs. for roller hearing wheels.

Motor Haul on Grades

The rated draw bar of a motor depends upon the weight on the drivers, and with east iron wheels the rated draw bar pull is ½ of the weight or 400 lbs. per ton weight, while with steel tired wheels the rated draw bar pull is ¼ the weight or 500 lbs. per ton weight.

On grades a locomotive cannot develop its rated draw bar pull due to the loss of effort required to raise itself up the grade, and thus 20 lbs, per ton weight must be subtracted, amounting to 5% of load for cast iron wheels and 4% for steel wheels.

Put in a simple way, using rolling friction at 30 lbs. per ton for the tonnage hauled and taking the draw bar pull at ½, the weight a motor will haul 13.3 times its weight in tons on a level track and on grades will show the following results:

Up a 1% grade will haul 7.6 times its weight Up a 2% grade will haul 3.1 times its weight Up a 3% grade will haul 3.8 times its weight Up a 4% grade will haul 2.9 times its weight Up a 5% grade will haul 2.3 times its weight Down a 1% grade will haul 42 times its weight Down a ½% grade will haul 20.5 times its weight

Down a 1% grade will haul 20.5 times its weight
Down a 1/10% grade will haul 20.5 times its weight
A close approximation of the haulage capacity, in tons,
of a motor working on a grade, compared to the
weight of a motor, will be found by the following rule,

weight at a motor, will be found by the following rule, which is as nearly correct as the theoretical values when coudition of the track is taken into cousideration.

15 divided by 1, plus the numerical per cent of grado, equals the number of times its weight a motor will hanl up a given grado as follows:

Up a 1% grade we have 15 equals 71/2 times weight of motor.

Up a 2% grade we have 15 equals 5 times weight of motor.

Up a 3% grade we have 15 equals 3% times weight of motor.

Up a 4% grade we have 15 equals 3 times weight of motor.

Up a 5% grade we have 15 equals 2½ times weight of motor.

As a motor will haul 13.3 times its weight on a lovel track, 50% additional on a down grade of ½ of 1% and 200% in excess of a level haul on a 1% grade; hence the necessity for the proper grading of main haulage ways is apparent.

Ties

Ties furnish the bearing for the rails, also a means of fastening and holding the rails in place. Good, well tamped ties are necessary in keeping the alignment and grade on any satisfactory track work. It has been proved in practice that hewed ties are more satisfactory than sawed ties, as the latter have a wooly surface which permits the retention of moisture and encourages fungus growth, also the grain is not as good, which gives them a tendency to split easily.

The dimensions of ties vary according to the importance of the hanlage. The long ties give greater stability to the track and do not split as easily. On slopes or any main haulage a 6 inch hewed tie of a length sufficient to give at least a 12 inch projection on either side of track should be used, and the spacing of ties should be 18 to 24 inches centers. In secondary haulage and rooms 4" x 5" sawed ties spaced 24" centers and with 8" to 12" projection gives satisfaction due to short life of these working places. Steel ties have not been extensively used, but will be improved and their use become more general as the price of wood ties increases. With our present panel system of mining, I think they have the following advantages in room work:

- Lower the height of shoveling and increase headroom 2" to 4",
- (2) In case of derailment the lift in replacing car is cut down,
- (3) Track is always in proper gauge,
- (4) Miners can lay their own track,
 (5) Have long life and can be used over and over, while wood ties become split and full of holes and are useless.

Disadvantages

- (1) Higher initial cost,
- (2) Bad for animal haulage on account of slipping on the steel rails,
- (3) Track does not stay on grade or in alignment.

Item No. 3 can be remedied by lugs, or turning down the ends of the ties, and then cutting holes in the floor to hold them in place. Considerable grading or loveling of floor is necessary even when wood ties are used, so that the use of steel ties may not be so objectionable.

Rails

In the selection of rails it is false economy to skimp on first cost; too light a rail, while showing a saving in original cost, will require nn expenditure of the initial saving over and over again in repairs and maintenance. The life of the haulage way; the tennage to be handled during this life; the type of haulage and system of mining determine the weight of rail to be used.

Motor Haulage

Most manufacturors estimate a weight of rail per yard, numerically equal to twolve times the weight in tons on oach wheel. It is botter to use sixteen times and with four wheel motors, this equals four times the weight of the motor as follows:

6 ton motor 6 x 4 equals 24 use 30 lb. rail 10 ton motor 10 x 4 equals 40 use 40 lb. to 60, lb. rail 15 ton motor 16 x 4 equals 60 use 60 lb. rail.

A good rule to use is as follows:

Planes40 lb. rails Main Haulages40 to 60 lb. rails Ordinary entries30 lb. rails

But if straight face or are wall machines are used the minimum rail to use will be 30 to 40 lb. Heavy rails are an advantage due to greater rigidity, keep their alignment and surface grade better, have a long life and a low maintenance cost.

Fastenings

A track is weakest at the joints between where they are deprived of their vertical strength. These joints require good fish plates or angle bars. Bolts should be used in all the holes in the angle bars or fish plates, and lock washers used to keep the bolts tight. Angle bars should be used where pessible as they give a stiffer joint. Ties should be laid to give a short suspended joint and firmly bedded on each side of the joint. When cross ties are insecurely bedded so that track is allowed to move up and down under tho wheels, the strongest and most effective fastenings soon become comparatively ineperative.

All rail sectious for different weights should be standardized, this also applies to the fish plates or angle bars. The drilling of the rails and fish plates or angle bars should all conform to a definite standard

made up for the different weights of rail.

The rails should be fastened to the ties with ample sized spikes; four spikes being used at each tie. The two spikes on the inside of the track should he driven on one side of the tie, and those on the outside of the track on the other side of the tie, to keep the ties in the proper position with reference to the rails, necessary to preserve the gauge. Gange

The gauge of the track is the distance between the insido ball of the rails. There are any number of gauges in use in different mines, the Union Pacific Ceal Company having 30, 36 and 42 inch gauge tracks in

The matter of gauge should be given careful study in opening up a mine and the proper gauge selected to fit existing conditions, as it will be almost impossihlo to change the gauge after the mine attains any

depth from the mouth.

Local conditions govern the size and design of cars used, which in turn regulates the gauge. The thickness of the seam limits the height of the cutry, and tho roof and floor couditions limit the width of the entry. These two factors mentioned govorn the width and height of the car, hence its capacity. If both are restrictive the length may he slightly increased, but here we are confrouted with the fixed axles combined with a short wheel base in use in coal mines, hence the ears are seldom over 10 feet long inside. Modern mining and machino mining tends to increase the capacities handled necessitating a wider gauge.

A broad gauge gives greater stability to the cars, promotes a smoother action with less wear and tear on

both equipment and tracks.

There is a more or less erroneous idea of the advantage of narrow gauge tracks in regard to curves, but to all intents and purposes the radius of curvaturo is dependent on the wheel base, size of wheels and flange depth, and the gauge has little to do with it, as will he more fully discussed under the subject of enrves.

The main advantage of a narrow gauge track is the eost; due to the use of shorter ties, less ballast, and where grading must be done the width is less. With ears of wood construction, and not using brakes, tho overhang on the sides is limited on account of strength, also wheels must he handy for spragging. With cars having hrakes and constructed with a wood bottom and steel sides, the flare and overhang can be increased and as wide a ear for tho 36 inch gauge may be built as the present 42-inch gauge cars now in uso.

The ratio of the weight of coal to the weight of tho car is about the same for the large and small cars. The larger cars do not show any increase in per cent of coal handled as the different parts have to be made heavier, which offsets the increased capacity and the main advantage gained by use of larger cars comes from the less number of ears which have to be handled to produce the required tonnage. The system of mining, method of loading and handling the cars also limit size of car which can be used economically, and in my judgement, a 36 inch gauge is large enough for cars man handled and hand loaded, but a 42-inch gauge is preferable where cars are handled with power and the coal is loaded by machinery.

Alignment and Surfacing

Track should be well maintained, kept in good alignment, with the high and low spots brought to grade. Slight reverse curves, sage and bumps swing and roll the cars, causing unnecessary jars and damage to equip ment, with less of coal. Spillage causes dirty tracks, interferes with haulage and is a serious safety hazard.

Curves are used to make gradual changes between straight or tangent tracks and turnouts for entries, planes, rooms, passing or side tracks, etc. Because of the use of heavy motors, with long wheel base, oper-

ated at high speed, curves of a large radius are necessary in order to obtain smooth transportation, as curves of a large radius offer less resistance than those

of a smaller radius.

Curves in mines are best designated by the radius in feet, and a 200 foot curve means that the center line of the track is a circle with a 200 foot radius. A 200 foot radius curve, on the level, offers 3/10% grade resistance, while a 100 foot radius curve offers about the same resistance as a 6/10% grade, and for this reasou, where possible, the grades should be lightened to compensate for this resistance. The radius of a curvo can be approximately determined as follows:

Using a 10 foot cord and measuring the offset or mid-distance to the gauge of the rail at the center in inches; the radius equals 150 in feet.

When mid-distance is 2" we have 150 equals we have 150 equals 50° When mid-distance is 3" When mid-distance is 11/2" we have 150 equals 100' 11/2 When mid-distance is 1" we have 150 equals 150'

On high speed motor hauls the outer rail on the curves should be elevated above the inner, varying with the haulage speed and the gauge of the tracks. The amount to raise the rail may he determined by using a 20 foot cord and taking the mid-distance from the cord to the gauge line of the rail as the amount to raise the rail, which will compensate for the following rates of speed:

Mid-distance of a 20 foot cord with 30" gauge for s speed of 171/2 miles per hour.

Mid-distance of a 20 foot cord with 36" gauge for a speed of 16 miles per hour.

Mid-distance of a 20 foot cord with 30" gauge for a speed of 15 miles per hour.

Rails should not be elevated more than 6 inches, and the outer rail should be gradually raised at the rate of about 1 inch in twenty foot approaching the curve and dropped correspondingly in leaving the curve for smooth action.

Mine Arithmetic

The following article on fractions is the second in the series of lessons in mine arithmetic. Additional lessons will appear in subsequent issues.

FRACTIONS

A fraction is one or more of the equal parts into which a whole thing or unit is divided, and consists of two parts-a numerator and a denominator. The denominator shows how many equal parts a thing is divided into, and the numerator shows how many of these equal parts are taken. For instance, a section of land is divided equally among four persons and we wish to write the part or fraction each receives. We write the fraction thus: 1/1, the number above the line always being the numerator and the number below the line the denominator,

If the numerator of a fraction is less than the denonunator, the fraction is called a proper fraction; thus, 16, 25, 3/10, 9/250 are proper fractions.

If the numerator is equal to or greater than the denominator, the fraction is called an improper fraction; thus, 4/4, 28/7, 25/24, 5/4 are improper fractions.

A mixed number is a number composed of a whole number and a fraction united, such as 11/8, 5-16/32, 21 %. To reduce a mixed number to an improper fraction, multiply the whole number by the denominator of the fraction and add the numerator to this product and place the denominator under the result. In the above case 134 equals 9/8, 5/16/32 equals 176/32, 2123 equals 65/3. In the same way to reduce an improper fraction to a whole or mixed number, divide the numerator by the denominator and write the result as in ordinary division.

Dividing or mulliplying both numerator and denominator of a fraction by the same number does not change the value of the fraction. Thus, 1/2 (multiplying both numerator and denominator by 4) equals 4/8 or the same value as ½, 36/14 (dividing both numerator and denominator by 2) equals 18/7 or 2-4/7. In both cases the form and not the value of the fraction is changed.

In addition and subtraction of fractions, the fractions have to be reduced to a common denominator. We will illustrate by example how to find the least common denominator of a number of fractions.

Example: Find the least common denominator of 14, 14, 2/18 and 1/16. The denominators of the separate fractions are placed in a line, separated by commas-4, 3, 18, 16. These denominators are now divided by 4, 3, 18, 16. some number larger than 1 that will be contained in at least two of the numbers without a remainder. Thus, 2 is contained in 4, 18 and 16, 2, 9 and 8 times, respectively, and we place the quolients in the second line under the numbers divided as shown below. The number 3, which will not contain the divisor without a remainder, is transferred to the second line as shown. Again the numbers 2 and 8 in the second line are divisible by the number 2 without a remainder, so we repeat the above operation to arrive 2 | 4, 3, 18, 16 at the third live. The numbers 3 and 9 2 2, 3, 9, 8 in the third line are divisible by 3, giv-3 1, 3, 9, 4 ing the numbers 1, 1, 3, 1 for the fourth line. Since no two of these numbers in

the fourth line are divisible an even number of times by any number larger than one, the divisors and remaining numbers are multiplied together for the least common denominator, or 2x2x3x1x1x3x4 equals 144.

To reduce fractions to the least common denominator, divide the least common denominator by the denominator of the given fraction and multiply both terms of the fraction by the quotient.

In the above case $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{2}{18}$ and $\frac{1}{16}$ reduced to a common denominator would be equal to $\frac{36}{14}$, 48/144, 16/144 and 9/144, respectively.

Addition of Fractions

To add fractions, first reduce them to a common denominator, add the numerators and write their sum over the common denominator. In the above case the sum of 4, 4, 2/18 and 1/16 equals 36+48+16+9

which equals 109/144,

To add whole and mixed numbers, add the whole numbers and fractions separately, then add the results: Example: 2-1/3 equals 2-5/15
4-2/5 equals 4-6/15

3-1/15 equals 3-1/15

9-12/15 equals 9-4/5

Subtraction of Fractions.

To subtract one fraction from another, we reduce both fractions to a common denominator, subtract the numerators from each other and put the result over the common denominator. In whole or mixed numbers, the whole number and fractions are subtracted separ-

ately. Example: $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{12} = \frac{3}{12} = \frac{1}{12}$ Example: $\frac{8}{5} = \frac{1}{16} = \frac{3}{12} = \frac{1}{12} = \frac{1}{12}$ $2.6/16 \pm 2.6/16$

5-15/16

Multiplication of Fractions.

To multiply fractions, multiply the numerators together for a new numerator, and the denominators together for a new denominator.

To multiply mixed numbers, reduce to improper fractions first and multiply as above.

Example: $\frac{1}{3}$ x2/9=2 x 1 $3 \times 9 = 27$ $\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{2} = 1 \times 2 \times 3$ 6 4 x 5 x 2 40 20 1%x10%=4/3x54/5=216=14-6/15=14%

Division of Fractions.

To divide by a fraction, multiply by its reciprocal (inverting the fraction, or putting the denominator above the line and the numerator below the line). Reduce mixed numbers to improper fractions before dividing.

Example: % by $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \times$

Divide 10% by 1% $85/8 \div 7/4 = 85/8 \times 1/7 = 340 = 6.4/56 = 6.1/14$

Problem: A piece of laud having an area of 24% acres is to be divided into plots, each plot containing % of an acre. How many plots will there be? $24\% \pm \% \pm 99/4x8/3 \pm 792 \pm 66$ plots

The Good Sportsman's Prayer

Make me strong to endure and patient under failure. Give me steadiness of eye and hand and sureness of foot. Eudow me with the eye to see and the soul to appreciate the colors of the snusot, tho strong lift of the racing wave, the growing green of the tree-tops, and all the sights and sound that make the ontdoors potent to heal and to inspire. Give mo hope in the morning and contont at the ond of the day. Above nll, make me a good sport, prepared for good or bad lnek alike, as ready to spare as to kill, rojoicing most of all in the wild life that crosses my path and goes scathless on its way.

History of Building Construction and Architecture

By W. W. Jones

THE Egyptians built almost entirely of stone. The pyramids are possibly the outstanding structures of the Egyptians, although many other types of buildings were erected. The Great pyramid was built in the period of 4,000 B. C. and required the labor of 100,000 men for thirty years to complete it. The Sphinx, a solid rock image of massive size, was one of the preminent achievements of these people. An Egyptian temple was huilt, in the early history of the country, of pillars with stone slabs placed on top for the ceilings and roof. All angles were ninety degrees and no arches were used in this temple. The architecture, though primitive, made the structure very attractive. Cleopatria's Needle was built of stone and was almost entirely covered with carvings of odd design.

The Assyrians built with brick, which were made of natural clay and baked by the heat from the sun. Their material not being very durable, none of their structures are in existence today, hence little is knewn

of their type of architecture.

The Greeian architecture was the first of any renown to be carried forward. The same designs of Greeian architecture that were first used by these people are used today. Three classical orders of the architocture of these people were used, around which many other orders and designs were formed. The Doric ordor was distinguished by its plainness in design. The Ionic order is known by the scrolls at the top of the pillar. The Corinthian is the most elaborate of the three original orders, having a design of leaves encircling the head of the pillar. Marble was the Greeks' foremost material of construction, consequently their structures had added attraction.

The Romans held nearly the same standing in the construction of various buildings as they did in hridge construction. The Roman classical orders of architeetural design hinged on the Greek classical orders. The Roman orders were the Tuscan, Dorie, Ionic, Corinthian and a combination of the Ionic and Corinthian orders. The Coliseum, one of the foremost Roman structures, was possibly the first large building using the Roman "circular arch."

During this early period of construction many large buildings with massive domes were built entirely of stone. The Hagia Sophia, in Constantinople, huilt hy the Byzantines, is a striking example of the manner in which the domes were built of stone. In this mammoth structure there is a single span of 250 feet made entirely of stone masonry. One of the many domes is 170 feet in diameter.

The Romans made use of what they termed the "Barreled" arch and the "Groined" arch, both heing semi-eircular arches. The "Groined" arch was a design used when the intersection of "Barreled" arches

was necessary.

The Leaning Tower of Pisa was one of the main structures built using the Italian Romanesque archi-tecture. The Italian Romanesquo, or Renaissance architecture, used the semi-circular arch.

The Gothic design came into use after the period of e Romanesque. This style of architecture was the Romanesque. known hy the uso of the pointed arch and the flying buttress. Many eathedrals and temples wero built using the Gothie architecture. The walls in the Roman structures, previous to the Gothie period, were necessarily so thick that windows were useless, but with the use of the flying buttress, windows were installed with advantages.

Crude images of different animals were the main style of decoration in these early periods. Because of the great amount of warfare, the majority of the larger structures were huilt upon high inaccessible places, mainly as a means of defense.

The Moors used the "llorseshoe" arch, which distinguished their architecture. The entrance to the Alhambra is constructed with the "Horseshoc" arch.

The Italian Renaissance, or period of learning, changed the designs back to the Roman semi-circular arch, and the pointed arch dropped out of popular use at that time.

Westminster Hall of England, and the Capitel Building at Washington, are both types of the Italian Renaissance architecture, using the rounded arch.

lu modern building reinforced concrete is used as the foremost material of construction. The cage type of design is used almost entirely in the construction of nearly all office buildings,

The concrete is placed either by using "buggies," or an extensive system of hoisting towers and lines of spouting and clintes. The concrete is poured around a steel skeleton already in place, which acts as rein-

Reinforced concrete buildings are very simple in design, but are very attractive. The Woodworth building in New York City, with fifty-five usable stories above ground and several stories underground, is of Gothic style of architecture and built of reinforced concrote.

The Beaver The First Engineer

O NE hot day in September, 1923, the writer with Geologist Dr. A. C. Boyle, Jr., and Captain John A. Smith, Safety Engineer, (then a plain mining engineer) toiled up the side of the 2,000 foot escarpment that flanks the west side of the Cumberland Kemnierer coal basin, the point some twenty miles worth of Kemmerer. The day was hot, Doe, Boyle was in the lead with a pair of seven league boots, Cap. Smith had a badly blistered heel and the old man-well enough

In the heart of a large grove of quaking aspens we suddenly came out on a clear cold brook and across it we found a Beaver's dam that was built some years before, and there we lingered and talked Beaver before going on up to the top. Now comes Dr. Almond N. Bisbee, a distinguished student of nature, who after a protracted study of the habits of Beavers located in the Maine woods tells us that the beavers have a foreman, a boss beaver, to mark the trees to be felled aud to stand guard when the young beaver workers are busy to see that the work is done according to the plaus made. The beaver foreman slashes the bark of the tree to be felled, putting a series of gashes in the bark with the sharp incisors Nature provided, the mark showing if the tree is to be cut to fall into the stream and help make the dam, or if it is to be cut and carried in for food, or if it is to be made a part of the construction work in the dam. Dr. Bisbee says the largest tree ever felled in America by the beavers, so far as official information has been secured, was a poplar, the stump of which measured 46 inches in diameter.

Good Piloting

In the olden days, a Mississippi river steamhoat owner ndvertised for a pilet. A Yankee applied for the position, to whom the owner said, "I suppose yon know where all the snags in the river are." 'No," replied the man, "I do not." "Do you expect me to trust you with a heat, then?" was the sareastic rejoinder of the owner. The Yankee whittled for a member in silence and then drawled out "If you are moment in silence and then drawled out, "If you are looking for a man who knows where all the snags are, I am not your fellow; but, hoss, I know the channel where the snags are not, and there's where I calculate to do my sailing." He was hired on the spot.

Mine Fans

By J. V. McClelland

The ventilation of mines is one of the most impor-tant features of modern mining. The object of ventilation is to supply plenty of fresh air to men and animals employed, and also to render harmless and remove all gases encountered or generated within the mine workings. In order to accomplish this object the air must be as nearly as possible of the same composition as the atmosphere, of sufficient volume to take care of all requirements of men and animals for breathing and burning of lights, and a velocity that will not cause discomfort to workmen, but strong enough to remove all gases or powder smoke, and iusure a constant supply of fresh air for men working in all parts of the mine.

Since it is impossible to ventilate a large mine by either natural ventilation or the use of a furnace, it becomes necessary to introduce some mechanical means to accomplish this end. Up to the present time nothing has been developed more suitable than a fan.

Mine fans may be divided into two classes, disc and centrifugal. In the disc fan the air is drawn straight through the blades, there being no change in the direction of flow. Air from the back of the fan rushos in to fill the void left by the air expelled by the fan blades, thus creating a continuous flow. These fans are rather limited in use on account of comparatively low volumes and pressures developed. Their principal advantages are low cost, rapid and cheap installation, and the case with which they can be moved to new locations. For these reasons they are particularly well adapted to use in emergencies as after an explosion or as booster fans in remote parts of mines whore the ventilating current is sluggish. In a centrifugal fan the air is drawn in at the center and discharged at the outer edge of the fan blades. The expulsion of air at the outer edge of the fan creates a depression at the center of the fan, and air rushing into the fan to roplace the air discharged insures a constant flow. If a centrifugal fan is housed so as to have the center connected with the mine, thus drawing air through the center of the fau from the mine, it is exhausting. In case the center of the fan is open to the atmosphere, air drawn through the fan is discharged into the mine, the fan is blowing. Most fans are now made to run either exhausting or blowing simply by changing a system of doors built into the fan housing and so arranged that air drawn into the fan comes either from the mine or the outside atmosphere. Thus it is easily understood that the expression "reversing the fan" does not apply to changing the direction of rotation of the fan, but simply changing the arrangement of doors within the fan housing, thus allowing air to be drawn into the center of the fan either from the mine or atmosphere.

Centrifugal fans were first introduced about seventy-five years ago. Constant improvements have been made until the mine fans of today bear vory little re-semblance to those first built. The principles under-lying the modern fans are practically the same as those first built, the various improvements resulting in greater efficiency.

Nasmyth probably built the first fan used for ventilating mines in 1851. This fan was based on the same principles as the centrifugal faus now in use. It consisted of straight paddle blades mounted on arms radiating from the central shaft. The longth of these blades was equal to about one-half the diameter of the fan. The contral opening in this fan was compara-tively small, and this, together with the excessive lougth of the blades, made this a very inefficient fan.

Biram's ventilator was an attempted improvement on the Nasmyth fan. In this fan the length of blades was reduced to one-tenth of the fan diameter. blades were straight, but inclined backwards from the direction of rotation. This fan was not very ef-Reient, the blades being as much too short as the Nasmyth fan blades were too long.

The Guibal fan, an invention of a Belgian engineer.

The Guidal fan, an invention of a beiginn engineer, was introduced about seventy years ago. These fans are of large diameter, width from one-fourth to one-half the diameter, with eight to ten blades, inclined backwards from the direction of rotation. They are built with single or double inlet, are low speed, and are capable of delivering a large volume of air at a low water gauge. The distinguishing features of this fan were the use of an adjustable shutter to regulate the flow of air into the expanding chimney which couneets the fan with the atmosphere. This was the first fan to use the expanding chimuoy to reduce the velocity of the discharged air.

The Waddle fan is an open running, centrifugal fan, The Waddle ran is an open running, centringal ran, discharging air from all points of the circuinference into the atmosphere. It is built like a flat hollow cone with a closed base. The central opening, opposite the base, connects with the mine airway. These fains are of large diameter, slow running, and high efficiency. They are popular in England, but have never been used to any extent in America.

The Schiele ventilator is a modified Waddle fan. The fau is surrounded by a spiral chamber connecting with the expanding chimney. It is an euclosed running fan as distinguished from the open running

Waddle

The Capell fan, invented in 1883, is a high velocity, contrifugal fan, divided vertically and horizontally into chambers. The inner and outer blades are separated by horizontal cylinders concentric with the fan shaft. Air passes from the inner to outer chambers at high velocity through port holes. The velocity of the air is reduced at the tips of the outer blades as it discharges into the expanding chimney to the atmosphere. Later designs of this fan have the outer blades radial for one-half the distance to the outer circumference, theu recede rapidly backward from the direction of rotation.

Various modifications of the above fans to give greater efficiency have resulted in the devolopment of the modern mine fan of today. The principal changes have been in the shape, depth, and curvature of blades and size of central opening. Also the introduction of spiral casing and evaso or expanding chimney to prevent shock of air entering or leaving the fan, climinate eddy currents within the fan, and

The Sirocco fan, first built in Enrope and later introduced into this country is a light, high speed, multivane fan capable of developing high officioney when properly installed. Various types of this fan have been developed, and their use has become general in

this country.

The selection and installation of a fan that will operate efficiently under a given set of conditions requires considerable study, and is the work of an expert. The size and condition of airways in a mine are as important as the fan when it comes to properly vontilating a mine. Those facts are some times neglected when a new fan is installed to increase the amount of air in circulation, with the result that the fan is condemued without reason.

Fr Olden Times

First Annual Meeting of The Old Timers' Association

THE various committees in charge of the work of organizing and entertaining the 'Old Boys' of The Union Pacific Coal Company have submitted for publication the following eall. It will be noted that this is to be an 'Old Timers' day, not a 'Veterans' day, and the 'whistle for work' blows loud and strong.

All aboard for Rock Springs and the big day, dedicated to our Old Timers—June 13th. A red letter day for us all. Committees are working zeniously making plans for the comfort and entertainment of visitors. Business houses and townspeople are interested in the event and are lending assistance. Best of all, Old Timers themselves are brushing up some of the old stories, are taking out and airing, preparatory to telling, some of the reminiscences we are all looking forward to hearing.

Here is the day's schedule:

10. A. M. to 11 A. M .- Registration.

11 A. M. to 12 A. M.—Business meeting, election of officers, etc. Presentation of service buttons.

12 Noon to 1 P. M .- Adjournment for luncheon.

1 P. M.—Assemble at Elks' Home.

2 P. M. to 4 P. M.—Ball Game—Rock Springs vs. Reliance.

6 P. M. to 9 P. M.—Banquet and program at Elks' Home.

9 P. M. to 12 P. M.—Dancing and chimney corner chats, Elks' Home.

For the ladies not desirous of attending the ball game, the following program has been arranged at the Elks' Home from 2 P. M. to 4 P. M. This will be under the auspices of the Woman's Club of Rock Springs,

Overture Brueggemann's Orchestra
Piano Duet
Sconts Margaret Chambers and Louis Page
Classical Dance
March Brueggemann's Orchestra
Song Miss Grace Johnston
Topical Songs Masters Miller and O'Donnell
Violin SoloSylvau Ward
Recitation
Selection Brueggemann's Orchestra

Menu for Banquet at 6 P. M.

Baked Ham

Fruit Cocktail
Baked Veal with Dressing
Mashed Potatoes

Olives and Pickles

Peas in Cream
Tomato-Cucumber Salad
Rolls and Jelly

Ice Cream and Cake Nuts and Miuts

Program During Banquet.

Invocation	 	 	 	 	.Rev.	Roy	Burt
Music	 	 	 	 Ct	ımberl	and	Band

forty years' service ... Eugene McAuliffe Original Poem ... D. G. Thomas Short Talks (three minutes)

Oliver Chambers, 'Anld Lang Syne''

A representative of the Union Pacific Railroad Company will be present to assist those who may desire to return to their homes by rail.

A committee will meet all trains and give assistance in securing rooms and accommodations for automobiles,

Admission to the banquet will be by ticket only, and because of the limited space only the Old Timers and their wives and the invited guests can be accommodated.

Banquet tickets and badges will be furnished at the time of registration,

A limited number of employes will receive invitations to attend as guests.

Drnm Major Griffiths has graciously tendered his services—you can't miss him, so follow the Major in the parade,

The Cumberland Band will be in attendance, full strength.

Remember, the headquarters will be at the Elks' Home, so come on, "Old Timers," let's make a day of it.

Paul Patterson



Paul Pattersou, Hanna.

To the east of contact across the Gulf of Both-¬O the east of Sweden, nia, is Finland, a cold rough country with many lakes and thickly covered with forests. A sturdy country with a rigorous and healthful climate which makes for the growth of sturdy men, Here was born Paul Patterson, who came to Hanna in 1896, where he started to work in the mines. Now he counts twentynine years of continuous service in the employ of The Union Pacific Coal Company, Mr. Patterson is sixty-uine years old, is still hale and hearty and works as a loader in No. 4.

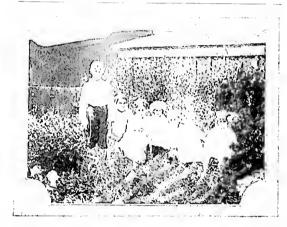
Mrs. Ellen Parr-Rock Springs

MRS. Ellen Parr, now of Rock Springs, once of the old town of Carbou, was born in England and came to this country and to Carbou when she was only eight years old. She enjoys recalling her school days in this town of happy memories. She remembers Mrs. L. G. Smith who was Mine Superintendent during her childhood, but more particularly she remembers Mrs. Smith who for years was the school teacher in the little town. It is often said that that man or woman is fortunate who has had three teachers whose life and teachings made a lasting impression. Mrs. Parr is rich in memories of this kindly woman who was the wife of the Superintendeut, taught the public school,

and who, because there was no physician, nursed and doctored the sick as well as she could, even caring for and dressing wounds received in the mines. There were no first aid men in those days. Mrs. Smith was the daughter of a physician "back home" in Illinois and had learned from him something about bandaging and the art of first aid practiced so expertly by the men

Mrs. Parr remembers the good-times of old Carbon, too, the old games that Mrs. Smith as school teacher taught; 'pour pour pull away,'' 'run sheep run,''
''drop the handkerchief'' and ''London Bridge is falling down." She remembers the friendliness and good-fellowship of her girlhood home—sorrows too, but sorrows that were shared by everybody.

She has seven sons living, and hopes to always live near her old friends and comrades.



A flower garden in the rear of the home of Mrs. Reese Howell, 4th Street, Rock Springs, in 1912.

Back Row: James Spence, Mary Menghoni, Annie, Ellen, Andrew, Catherine and Hilda Spence. First Row: Jack Korogi.

Who'd recognize Tim and Ding, sheiks of today.

Long Service Records

By J. R. Dewar

I N a recent issue of the Dixon Crneible Co.'s "GRAPHITE" magazine there was displayed a picture of cleven employes (8 men and 3 women) whose total service aggregated 542 years. In a still lator number of the same organ, a cut of five people appeared (4 men and 1 woman) with a combined record of 264 years with the concern,

These "old-timers" all look hale and hearty and are, as aptly put by the GRAPHITE, "the oldest roots of the great Dixon tree."

The Union Pacific System, always in the lend in looking after the interests, welfare and future happiness of members of its big family, has just pensioned 13 men with a combined service of 685 years, one of them, Joseph Kragskow, an upholsterer in the Omaha shops, baving been continuously connected with the "Overland Route" 56 years, 4 months, 21 days, claimed to help restricted by the strength of the strength claimed to be the greatest length of service of any railroad employe in the country.

Shown on the roster of The Union Pucific Coal Company, are 22 meu, who have given of their brown and brain for periods extending from 30 to 40 years, while the names of men can be vouched for as having rounded out terms of from 40 to 45 years.

Early Wyoming Coal Mining Reminiscences

By Old Timer

SUPERIOR lays claim to having one of the oldest employes of the company in the person of Mr. Andrew Johnson, who started to work in the mines of this district in May, 1871, in company with Mr. Theo. P. Henkell, recently relired from the service at Hanna.

Mr. Johnson was born in Norway in 1847, came to this country in 1869, locating at Omaha, later entering the Rock Springs field in 1871 as a miner.

Mr. Edward Creighton of Omaha, was one of the pioneers in Wyoming coal mining. He opened a vein of coal at Carbon in 1868. A short railroad spur was laid to the opening and some coal was mined. In the spring of 1869, Thomas Wardell brought some miners from Missouri and sunk an 85-foot shaft, reaching coal between the Creighton mine and the railroal. The Wyoming Coal & Mining Company was organized by Wardell and took over the Creighton interests. This company opened another mine one-half mile south of the town. The coal at the Carbon mines proved to be very good for steam purposes.

Prospecting further west, a mine was opened at Black Buttes, which was abandoned after one year's operation because of a better grade of coal having been discovered at Rock Springs. The mine at Rock Springs, afterwards called No. 1, was prospected with a slope, six feet wide, to a distance of about one hundred yards running under the main railroad track. Tonnage from this mine ran from eighty to one hundred tons per day during the summer and fall of 1871. The writer assisted in putting up the first timber sets and on a Sunday in June of 1872 creeted the first smoke stack. At the outset, this mine did not produce a very satisfactory coal because of n rock band, but further prospecting to the dip revenled a very desirable product. This mine produced an enormous desirable product, the same produced an enormous for the thirty-gaven wars up to 1910. tounage for the thirty-seven years ap to 1910.

No. 2 mine, Rock Springs, was opened by the late George Young and associates in 1871. It was located south of the present roundhouse and was in operation for about four years.

No. 3, Rock Springs, was opened under the management of Superintendent W. H. Mellor in 1873. The writer was one of a double-sbift that started the mine from the grass (sagebrush) roots. At that time, the railroad spur to the mines had not crossed Bitter Creek. The production was hauled by teams. A small wooden bridge was built across the creek at a point now known as Bridge Avenue.

No. 5, Rock Springs, was opened in 1879 and abundoned in 1895 by roason of poor quality coal.

No. 6, Rock Springs, was opened in 1832 but did not prove satisfactory because of a rock parting in the center of the seam. It was in this mine that the trouble between the white miners and the Chinese startod, culminating in bloodshed.
No. 7, Rock Springs, was opened in 1888 and proved

to be a good producer.

The first store manager at Rock Springs was Churley Pixley, who resigned in the early part of 1872, and was succeeded by James Tisdell (a brother-in-law of D. O. Clark). If the writer's memory be correct, in 1873 the Wyoming Coal & Mining Company creeted the first substantial building in Rock Springs—constructed of rock. The mine office was located upstairs in this building. Tisdell was later appointed Mine Superintendont. A man by the name of Musgrove was appointed Store Mannger, later being relieved by O. C. Smith.

The railroad station was located one mile west of

Rock Springs at a place known as Blairtown and in 1873 was moved on flut cars to Rock Springs. An artesian well was drilled close to the main railroad track, north of the depot. This water was not very good for domestic use but was used for locometives in emorgencies. The well was twelve hundred feet deep and passed through two good sized veins below No. 1 seam.

Going back to Carbon, the writer will endeavor to chronicle some of the less prosaic events which will show that our beds had thorns as well as roses. Mr. James Williams was the camp's tirst superin-

Mr. James Williams was the camp's first superintendent. The miners were of many nationalities, English, Scotch, Welsh, Irish, Swedes, Norwegians, Danes and Germans predominating. In later years the Finus made their appearance and became quite numerous. The Indians were more or less of a menace in the early days of the camp. During the summer of 1869 the stable boss, while searching for some estrayed mules, oue and one-half miles from camp, was attacked and fatally injured with arrows, thus being the first

man buried in the Carbon Cometery.

During the years 1876 to 1879, several exciting happenings occurred, notably among which was the killing of two deputy sheriffs, Thomas Widowfield and W. Vincent, by train robbers at Rattlesnake Creek near Elk Mountain. Large rewards were offered by the Express and Railroad companies for their capture. Posses secured the country. Two La Fevre brothers, after doing some detective work, caught "Dutch Charley" and placed him in the pen at Lavamie. On January 23rd, 1879, he was being taken to Rawlins hy the Carbon county sheriff A mob of masked men met the train at Carbon, seized the desperado and hnng him to a telegraph pole in front of the company store. A little Swede kicked the barrel from beneath "Dutch Charley," which resulted in the hanging.

In July, 1880, the Carbon county sheriff eaught a man by the name of "Big Nose George" in eastern Montana. The train bearing the party was held up by a masked mob and "Big Nose" was taken from the sheriff to a stockage, and a rope tied about his neck. No information was fortheoming on the first pull but the second brought forth the fact that he was guilty. The culprit was turned over to the sheriff, taken to the Rawlins jail, tried and sentenced to be hung on the 3rd of April, 1882. About two weeks before the excention, "Big Nose" made a desperate attempt to escape but was thwarted through the presence of mind of the jailor's wife. This aroused the people of Rawlius and the following night a mob took him from the jail, tied a rope around his neck, and he was ordered to climh a ladder placed against a lamp-post and jump. The rope broke! The crowd having no further faith in the rope, fired several shots, ending his eareer.

Ahout three years later a man, suspected of heing one of the gang, was caught in Montana, hrought by steamheat to Omaha and hearded the Union Pacific train at that point. North Platto parties, learning of the capture notified friends in Carbon and a neck tie party was arranged to take the culprit in charge. A thorough search of the train failed to reveal him, the sheriff and his prisoner having left the train at Laramic. The prisoner oventually proved an alibi

and was released.

D. O. Clark was relioved of his watch in a train holdup at Simpson Hill about six miles west of Carbon. The robbers were caught by a posse from Carbon, at the mouth of Medicine Bow River and the loot was recovered, the men heing sentenced to twelve years in the pen.

National Hospital Day at the Wyoming General Hospital

WYOMING General Hospital and its staff are to be congratulated on the success of the program for the observance of National Hospital Day in Rack Springs, May 12th. The Slate's chief executive was a gracious and interested parlicipator and visitor; organizations and individuals lent themselves to the spirit of the day and the hospital's halls and grounds and wards were crowded all day with an admiring and sympathetic public. Mr. T. S. Taliaferro, Jr., was the chairman for the day. Governor Ross, expressing her pleasure at being there, complimented Superintendent Shields on her efficient management and the splendid appearance of the hospital. Mr. Geo. B. Pryde recalled the laying of the corner stone thirty years ago and then reviewed the growth of the hospital from a small institution with one day nurse and one night nurse, to the present lunsy place with a targe staff and filling a very vital need for a large part of Wyoming

The Girl Scouts sang, Dr. Dayle Joslin and Mis. A. W. Dickinson delighted visitors and patients with songs and Nurse Janet Kay closed the program with the song, "The End of a Perfect Day."

Our cover page shows Governor Ross with a group of babies born at the Wyoning General Hospital during the past three years.

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died Sunday, October 7th, 1849, without regaining consciousness. After his interment in Baltimore, his remains rested for years in a well night forgotten grave, a monument more recently erected in his memory.

With a most complex and difficult of understanding character, self willed, self indulgent, intensely proud and reserved by nature, Poe was keenly sensitive to sounds-stimulants deeply affecting him. At times he was morose and quarrelsome, at others, he was pleasant, affable and courteous. It may be said that men hated him and women loved and worshipped him. A dreamer, mystical and imaginative, he wrote peoms of exquisite beauty, although saturated with hopelessless and remorse. He lived in a land of phantasmagoria, dreams, tempests, terrors, leaden skys; through this shadowy land of imagery, he saw ghosts, birds of ill omen, erawling things, death. Rare as an exotic flower, the beauty of certain of his utterances rise gloriously, though exquisitely sad, above the pestilential miasma that at last submerged him. Poor devil, he lacked, like many, will, moral conviction-high courage.

He Applied the Teaching.

An Epsom trainer had eaught one of his stable hoys stealing outs and seemed undecided what course to take.

In the meantime the stable boy had asked his mistress to intercede for him. The trainer's wife pleaded with ber hushand and, quoting the Scriptures in support of leniency, said: "We were taught when a man took our coat to give him the cloak as well."

"Quite true," the trainer replied, "and as he has taken my oats I am going to give him the sack."

—Saskatoon Star.

[&]quot;I can forgive, hut I canuot forgot," is only another way of saying, "I will not forgive." A forgiveness onght to be like a cancelled note, torn in two and burned up, so that it nevor can he shown against the man. There is an ugly kind of forgiveness in this world—a kind of hedgehog forgiveness, shot out like quils.

Beecher's Life Thoughts.

More About Wyoming Rabbits

By "Doc."

ENJOY greatly reading the Employes' Magazine I and have just finished the February number while waiting for a train in a more or less bleak railroad station in the Southern Illinois Coal Field. Since my visit to Rock Springs in September, I have done considerable thinking about the Jack Rabbit Population of Wyoming. I believe the people of Wyoming have overlooked a wonderful apportunity to organize an industry based on an undeveloped natural resource, namely, the Jack Rabbit. The rough estimate made of the Jack Rahlit population in Wvoming in 1924, namely, 24,080,000, gives one an idea of the possibilities for a great industry. I have neither the time nor the writing materials at hand to undertake an estimate of the future rabbit population of Wyoming, but after allowing for the ravages of man, natural curmies, disease, drought, famine, etc., I am sure the figures would run high. I have been impressed so much by the size of these figures and after reading such works as Lemmus "Encyclopedia of the Science of Rabbit Culture, 'and Stahl's 'Commercial Rabbit Parming and the Food Supply,' that I have ordered a new slide rule and Vega's book of logarithms so that I may be able to seeme reasonably accurate statistics without involved mathematical computations,

There is much of interest about rabbits and bares. Permit me to suggest essays in the Public Schools on such subjects as the 'Rabbit in Poetry' or in history, fiction, folk lore, etc. The more one meditates on the matter, the more impressive the prospects. Briefly, I think there are great opportunities, commercially, in the Jack Rabbit, particularly as a source of food and fur, not to mention several important by products. A tremendous quantity of rabbit meat is now consumed in European countries annually; the British, French, and Belgian governments are co-operating with the breeders of rabbits in developing the industry, as it seems to be the most prolific source of palatable meat. Before the war London was using 500,000 rabbits a week. I understand that frozen rabbits have been shipped in earloads from certain Western states in 1924 and that canneries of rabbit meat have been established. If killed for meat when they weigh five pounds apiece, one hundred fifty pounds of meat have been produced from one doe in a year. The young Does will produce when eight months old—even earlier, so that the possible increase from a single Doe in one year is lost in a maze of from a single lote in one year is not in made in figures; suffice it to say, it is astonudingly big, and the world's meat supply can be increased indefinitely in a very short time, if vigorous advertising is conployed to calucate the people to the possibilities of the industry

Assuming that Does constitute approximately one-half of the rabbit population of Wyoming and that for each Doe there would be produced 150 pounds of ment per annum, it is evident that the annual output would be 1,800,000,000 pounds (without deduction for depreciation, depletion, and obsolescence). Allowing 50 per cent for shrinkage in dressing, the output would properly the agreeity of 15,000 cere of put would represent the capacity of 15,000 cars of 60,000 pounds capacity. This would make a train of cars stretching from Rock Springs approximately to Hanna. The expert in "Commercial Rabbit Farming" then goes on to estimate the cost of feeding and housing rabbits; at this point the Wyoming enthusiast must part company with the said expert for the Boss Rabbit we have in mind provides board and keep for himself, family, and all relatives, and there would be no expense for maintainance.

But to proceed to the real purpose of this letter—a number of Missouri friends are definitely impressed

number of Missouri friends are dofinitely impressed with the possibility of developing a profitable indus-try. Tentative plans have been made for forming a corporation (under the laws of Wyoming) to market meat and fur from Wyoming rabbits on a large scale. The general operating plan would be somewhat as fol-

Construct at Rock Springs and other convenient points on the railroad, corrals, yards, packing plants, tanneries, etc., to which the Jack Rabbits could be driven, in the seasonal round-ups.

At strategic points on main highways, too remote from the railroad for the rabbit drives mentioned in No. 1, locate receiving and loading corrals where the rabbits rould be crated and shipped by truck

to the packing plants.

Sufficient power for the packing plants and tan-neries would be developed by locating a series of tread-mills on the approaches to plants over which the in-coming rabbits would be driven. By the use of the storage batteries it will be possible to complete the season's manufacturing processes after the last rabbits have passed the last section of prime movers.

During the season for operating the packing plants, the company's aviator would make daily trips along the route of the "rabbit drives," and, while flying low, would spray a highly odorous powder recently imported from the rabbit fields of Australia and known to attract rabbits for many This practice will assist greatly in assembling the rabbits along the designated lines of

drive.

Certain research chemists, biologists, and electri-cians are at work in certain private laboratories endeavoring to determine the proper wave length for exciting the nerves of the rabbit. It has been discovered that certain sounds and wave-lengths will cause a rabbit to jamp sideways while other sounds and wave lengths will cause the same rabbit to jump up and down. According to the latest progress reports it will be possible to broadcast from the central station (suggested location being Rock Springs), using one wave length for Jacks and another for Does, so that once the rabbits are near the designated lines of the drive as marked by the aviator, there should be very little labor involved in getting the rabbits to the packing establishments.

Co-operative research is proposed with the U.S. Bureau of Animal Husbandry similar to the splendid work that has been done in improving rauge eattle and horses. Steps should be taken at once to establish preserves in the Forest Reserves where hardy rabbits or hares from other countries may be cross-bred with the Wyoming rabbit. Owing to the shortness of the season it would be well to consider especially the cross with the night-fooding rabbit. ing rabbits of Tibet so that the feeding and working hours might be extended beyond the approved eight-hour day. It seems advisable also to in-troduce some of the stock from the snowy regions of the north such as the Polar haro (Lepus arcticus), the Greenland hare (Lepus Greenlandicus) and the Alaska hare (Lepus timidus tschuktschorum). To combat with the deep snows of the mountain ranges, it is suggested that there be imported the loug-legged hare from Patagonia (Lopus clongaticus) which when crossed with the Wyoming Jack should develop an all-the-yoar-round day-aud-night shift hardy super-six-cylindered rabbit. The financial plan for the corporation has not as yet been developed fully. There is considerable

capital available in Missouri for an entorpriso with such a brilliant future, but it is felt that the greatest success can be won if the organization includes the best brains and business talent of Western Wyoming. We therefore propose that the subscription books of the corporation shall not be closed until after a few representative citizens of Wyoming have been given an opportunity to get



Anybody

Customer: "Do you serve lobsters here?" Waiter: "We serve anybody; sit down."

Out of the Final Contest

The old gentleman was a trifle bewildered at the elaborate wedding.

"Are you the groom," he asked a melancholy-look-

ing man. "No, sir," the young man replied. "I was elimi-

nated in the preliminary try-outs.'

-Quebee (Canada) Daily Telegraph.

Same Question

"Dearest, am I the first man that ever held you in his arms?"

"Yes, of course. Why do you men always ask that the first thing?"—Tennessee Mugwump.

That's Werkin' t' Ole Bean

An old Irishwoman sent a parcel to her son, in which she enclosed the following note:

"Pat, I am sending your waistcoat; to save weight I have cut off all the buttons. Your loving mother."
"P. S.—You will find them in the top pocket."

Struck Blind

She: "Do you remember when you were first struck by my beauty?" He: "I think so. Wasn't it at the masked ball."

Educational Uses

"Annie" called her mistress, "just come into the dining room a moment. Now look at this. Watch me. I can write my name in the dust on this table."

Annie grinned. "It sure must be a grand thing," she said, "te bave a eddication."

Sad Rime

"Pome" by one of our young men, whose fiancee has made another selection:

She has went. Her has gone, Her have left us all alone. She can never come to we, Us can never go to she, It cannot was,—Ex.

One on Friend Wife

The sud thing about having a wife is when you look for something it has been hung up somewhere. —Brandon Sun.

Ask Him

"Nora, you were entertaining a man in the kitchen last night, were you not?''
"That's for him to say, ma'am. I did my best."

Something to be Thankful For

"Thankful! What have I to be thankful for? I can't pay my bills.

"Then, man alive, be thankful you are not one of your creditors.'

The Unknown Important

The enjoyable part of Who's Who is the discovery of so many important people you never heard of before. -Calgary Herald.

The Artistic Temperament

Whether it's a chair, the floor or her face, a woman generally is happy when she is painting.

-Galt Reporter.

Sister: "Oh, Jimmy, you're cruel. How could you cut that poor defenseless worm in two?'

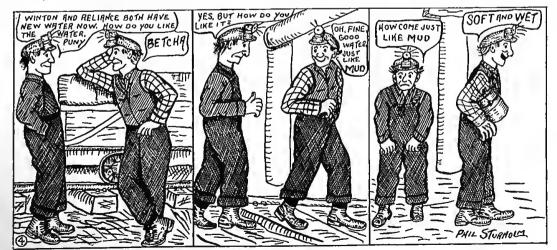
Jimmy: "Aw, sis, he seemed so lonesome."

-Exchange.

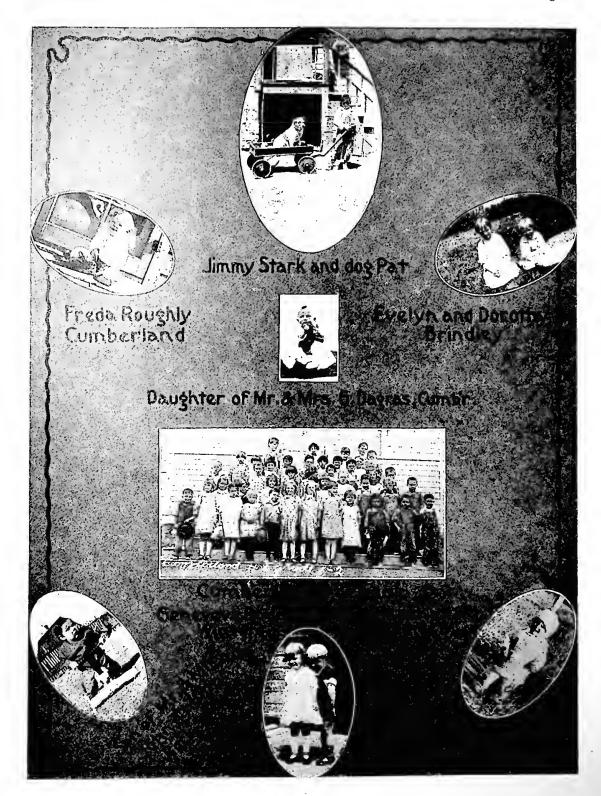
What is Anatomy?

A little negro school girl down in Florida, in answer to this question, wrote the following:

"Anatomy is a human body. It is divided into three parts, the haid, the cheist and the stummick. The haid holdes the skull and the brains, if they is any, the cheist holdes the liver and the lites, and the stummick holdes the entrails and the vowels which are a, e, i, o, u and sometimes w and y.



Puny Mike says water is wet.





The Woman With the Basket

DO YOU remember the old story—that story about the man of holy orders who sent the penitent out to distribute feathers, one by one, from his basket and later to gather them all together again. Like many old things it is good, and would be good if it were repeated as often as the stories of Easter and Christmas. There is part of the message of each of these in it—the story of Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men, and The Vision of a New Life.

Then, too, there is always the Woman in Our Town, the Woman with the Basket, who needs to hear it. You may be acquainted with her, like the penitent of the story she carries a basket, but her's is filled with, not feathers, but little winged seeds of various kinds, very similar to the seeds of the dandelion which, where dandelions grow, go floating through the air like a miniature snow-storm in the early days of spring and summer.

The Woman in Our Town set out one morning taking her basket of seeds with her. She was tired of cooking and cleaning which often seem very unimportant and unnecessary, and she knew that it would be pleasant to stop at the door of other people's homes and catch a glimpse of the life therein. That is really all she wanted—a glimpse of life here and there, for the high lights in other people's lives interested her far more than the ordinary things which were her own business. She—I always feel sorry for her—had never learned the value of impersonal things or the beauty of commonplace ones.

Into each yard as she passed she stopped and dropped a few seeds and occasionally gathered some more. It amused her and helped to pass the time and it seemed a harmless form of activity, for she thought the seeds stayed where they dropped and did not harm anyone. But you see a gust of wind sprang up and carried those seeds that had been dropped on one street away over to a yard on another street and it eame about that she sowed a fine crop before she knew it.

I was telling you about the penitent who came to the priest because his mind was troubled. It's an old story. I like old stories. He—the penitent—had fallen into the habit of repeating stories, good and bad ones, concerning his fellow townsmen. One day something happened that made him see that gossip is a form of crime and to the holy man he went to confess and seek pardon. The good man who was also a wise man sent him out with a basket of feathers, telling him to distribute them one by one through the town and when he had finished to return to him, bringing the empty basket. Over the town went the penitent, and when his task was done he returned to the priest.

"I have done what you told me to do and now am to be forgiven and my sin blotted out?" he asked.

"You are to be forgiven, Simon, but not until you have gathered together again all the feathers you took away."

"But, Father, I could never do that, for a wind has scattered the feathers to the four winds of the town,"

"True, Simon, so with your bits of gossip. You could never gather them up so you see your sin could never be blotted out though it is forgiven."

The story should be told so often that The Woman in Our Town would hear it and understand it, for some very unpleasant plants grow from the seed sho has dropped, though they appeared harmless at the time.

He is a powerful fellow, that Spirit of Gossip, wondefully full of energy and he never lacks and from the friendly gust of unthinking chatter which helps him to distribute seeds.

As for the Woman in our Town and the Man in Our Town, they are really good folks. They simply forget how strong the wind is when it comes in contact with anything as light as a winged seed, and you see, sometimes, the lighter it is, the littler it is, the more easily it will carry. These folks need to train their minds to be interested in the wholesome development and progress of the world about them.

Now of course folks are the most interesting things in the world, but they could be interested in world progress through folks. This is a world of folks, and whatever of good comes must come to it through them. Then, too, aren't they a bit conceiled, Our Man and Woman about Town, when they give their opinions as facts so freely, often about people whom they do not know?



Woman's First Aid Club at Tono, Washington. Reading from left to right: Mesdamos Wm. Barber, E. Barber, Perry, Boardman (President), Colvin (Secretary), Larson, Rankin, Friend, Mossop, Way (Director), Corcoran, Androsko, Tamblyn, Gilgillan, Daco, Ash, Warren, Davis, Patterson, Eichardson, Hudson.

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Grandma Mrs. John McTee (centre) with her five daughters. Standing: Mrs. R. T. Mathews, Mrs. A. Rae, Mrs. Thos. Smith. Seated: Mrs. J. W. Morgan, Mrs. J. E. Ross.

A Good Bake on Myself or Helping

By Jessie McDiarmid

TODAY I've been thinking about the little dress-TODAY I've been thinking about the fittle dress-maker in Zone Gale's "Friendship Villago," whose poet soul made her different. I think it's fun to know folks in books so they seem like real friends. I'm some I should have loved the dressmaker—no, I do love her. That's the best part about story book friends, one always has them. You remember this friend said: "I set to work on myself to make 'mo' as good as I knew, an' I worked and worked, like life was nothing but me, an' I was nothing but a cake, to get a good bake on an' die without being too much dough to me. An' then all at once I see that couldn't bo the only thing He meant. It didn't seem like He could 'a' made me sole in order to save me from hell. could 'a' made me sole in order to save me from hell.

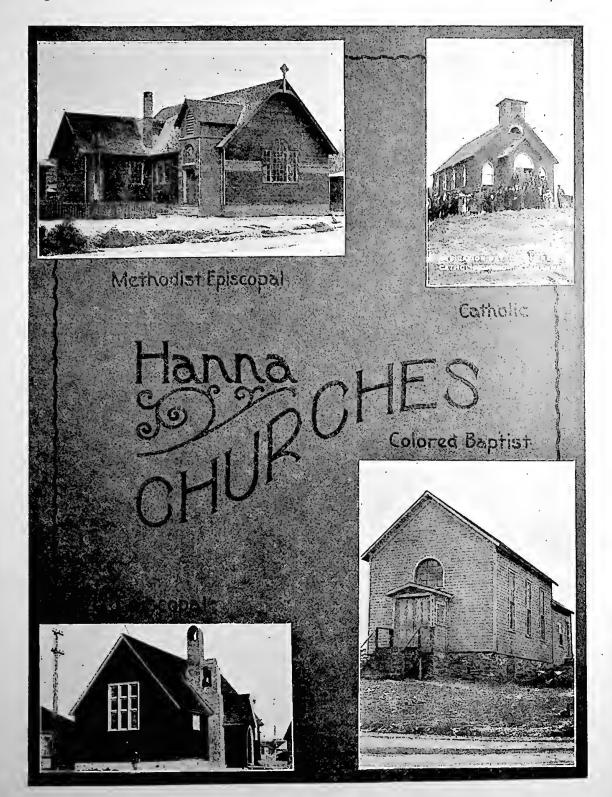
An' I begun to see He must 'a' made me to holp in
some great big plan or other o' His. And quick as I
knew that an' begun wanting to help, He begun showing me when to—an' hero—here I know how—an' if I went away-I wouldn't know how to be any rill use. In town I expect I couldn't be anything but cake again—baking myself real good, or even getting frosted; but maybe not helping, and I couldn't risk that. It looks to me like helpin' is what I'm for.'' Now there are a lot of us who'd like to get a "good bake on ourselves''-and, strangely enough, we would seem to be baking ourselves when we are trying to help. The very best way to help folks is to help them to express themselves. The best chairman of a club, for instanco, is the one who is so pleasant and kindly and genial that everybody will fosl like telling what she thinks about the subject under discussion, who receives suggestions holpfully. That's the very roason for having clubs you know, that every member shall put a little of herself into it and the club is happiest and most worth while, which has the ability to put together, into a program, pieces of many members' ideas. You remember what they used to tell us when we wero children, "two heads are better than one, even if they are both eabbage heads." I like the word "togetherness." I know of a family which grews what they call a "togetherness plant" and all it is really is their nice happy way of playing and working together, of remembering each others' birthdays and anniversaries. All the things they want to remember are the branches on their plant. "Togetherness" is tremendously worth while in a family or club, and whether we have a "togetherness plant" or not we knew that working together, courtequaly, pleasantly, energetically will grow the very happiest kind of family or club life.

in on the ground floor. (It is proposed that three Directors and the General Manager shall be selected from Wyoming stockholders).

While applications for stock are being received at this time, it is not deemed advisable to proceed with the incorporation, etc., until certan essential patents have been secured in the United States and foreign contries. In the meantime it is suggested that interested parties who have expert knowledge of the Wyoming Jack Rabbit particularly as to habits, heredity, speed (to determine proper wave length as noted in No. 5), etc., sball communicate with the Temporary Secretary of the company with the assurance that when stock is finally assigned to applicants, due and proper recognition will be made of those who have cooperated by suggestions and otherwise in the development of what seems to me to be one of the most interesting opportunities in the commercial history of Wyoming.

Estimates of earnings of the proposed corporation will not be sent out at this time, as the promoters feel that it would be unwise to reveal to rivals who are working on similar patents any indication of the fabulous caruings in sight.





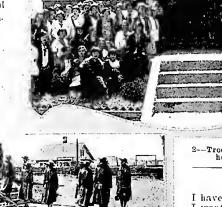
Girls' Hearthfire Circle

Governor Nellie Tayloe Ross Becomes a Girl Scout

THE question in the tenderfoot test: "What is the full name of the Governor of your State?" will be easy of answer for the Girl Scouts of Rock Springs in the future-except perhaps that we may be tempted to say Scout Ross instead of Governor Nellie Tayloc Ross. We had learned that Governor Ross was to

visit Wyoming General Hospital on National Hospital Day, May 12th. Our own Governor! The first woman Governor in America-who had been feted and admired in Washington at the inauguration of President Coolidge, of whose grace and charm and after sincerity and poise press men and women had written, who had

Governor Nellie Tayloe Ross, Commissioner Mrs. D. C. McKeehan and the senior Girl Scouts.



2--Troop 3 Girl Scouts are a guard of honor at the Taliaferro home.

Myself

I have to live with myself, and so I want to be fit for myself to know. I want to be able, as days go by, Always to look myself straight in the eye;

I don't want to stand with the set-

ting sun,
And hate myself for the things I'vo doue.

Ruth Vail led us in a rousing "Yea Scout, Yea Ross, Yea Yea Scout Ross" and since it was just sunset,

Scout Ross, our Governor, joined with us in taps.
"The day is done, gone the sun from the lake, from the hills, from the skies

All is well, safely rest, God is nigh. ''

I don't want to keep on a closet sholf A lot of secrets about myself, And fool myself, as I come and go Into thinking that nobody elss will know The kind of man I roally am; I don't want to dress mysolf in sham.

I want to go out with my head erset, I want to deserve all men's respect; But here in the struggle for fame and polf I want to be able to like myself. I don't want to look at myself and know That I'm blunder and bluff and empty show.

I can navar hide myself from ms; I ses what others may uever see; I know what others may nover know; I never can fool mysolf, and so, Whatover happens, I want to bo Self-respecting and conscience-fres.

just had an honored place at the banquet for famous women at the Woman's Fair in Chicago-but our very own Governor! Quickly we asked if we might be her own Governor: Quickly we asked it we might be her escort to the Hospital and a guard of honor for the day. We wanted to. "But it is tiring, you may miss your lunch," our Captain suggested. "We won't mind if we do, we won't even look hungry," we assured her and were glad when the plan went forward. We were excused from school and were privileged to escort our Captarnor to her day's engagements; to the Taliaferro Governor to her day's engagements; to the Taliaferro home, to the Hospital and to the citizens' luncheon given by the Lions Club.

All the Scouts had been asked to sing at the Hospital grounds as a part of the Hospital Day program, so, lsd by Commissioner Mrs. D. C. McKechan and Mrs. A. W. Dickinson, our "Singor Dick," wo marched up, formed a circle on the lnwn and then asked Government ernor Ross if we might not make her a honorary associate member. She had been so nice to us wo somehow knew that sho'd like to be a Scout—we couldn't doubt that she'd make a good Scout as shs gave hsr "promiso" with a sweet seriousness and then, after our Commissioner had invested her, said, just as we had done, "I do hope I can keep my promiso." Then

-Edgar A. Guest.

University of Chicago Rifle Team Wins

SCOUTS who were at Camp last summer will be interested to know that "Freddy," who visited our Camp from Chicago shot with the U. of C. rifle team which won from the Girls' Municipal team of Minneapolis. We quote from the Chicago Tribuno:

"The Famous Girls' Municipal Rifle club of Minneapolis, undefeated for two years, and this year twice conquerors of the ladies' rifle team of the Hamilton club of Chicago, went down in defeat before the riflewomen of the University of Chicago in a telegraphic team match fired the week ending February 21, 496 to 491, iron sights being used. The scores:

Chicago-Florence Eckfeldt, 100; Gladys Harrell, 100; Frederica Weitlanf, 99; Louise Mohr, 99; Marion Plimpton, 98-196.

Minneapolis—Ruby McCourtie, 99; Helen Shoemaker, 99; Velma Foster, 99; Minnie Johnson, 98; Gertrade Johnson, 96—491.''

Dear Scouts:

Here is another story about a wonderful seout. I think most of you know about her but its rather nice to see the story all written out, isn't it?

Grace Darling

It was a dark September morning. There was a storm at sea. A ship had been driven on a low rock off the shores of the Farne Islands. It had been broken in two by the waves, and half of it had been washed away. The other half lay yet on the rock, and those of the crew who were alive were clinging to it. But the waves were dashing over it, and in a little while it too would be earried to the bottom.

Could any one save the poor, half-drowned men who

were there?

On one of the islands was a light-house; and there, all through that stormy night, Grace Darling had listened to the storm.

Grace was the daughter of the light-house keeper, and she had lived by the sea as long as she could re-

member.

In the darkness of the night, above the noise of the winds and waves, she heard screams and wild cries. which and waves, she heard screams and which cries.
When day-light came, she could see the wreck a mile away, with the angry waters all around it. She could see the men clinging to the masts.
"Wo must try to save them!" she cried. "Let us go out in the boat at once!"
"It is no use, Grace," said her father, "We cannot reach them."

He was an old man, and he knew the force of the

mighty waves.
"We cannot stay here and see them die," said Graes. "We must at least try to save them."

Her father could not say no.

In a few minntes they were ready. They set off in the heavy light-house boat. Grace pulled one oar, and her father the other, and they made straight toward the wreek. But it was hard rowing against such a sea, and it seemed as though they could never reach the place.

At last they were close to the rock, and now they were in greater danger than before. The fierce waves hroks against the boat, and it would have been dashed in pieces, had it not been for the strength and skill of

the brave girl.

But after many trials, Graco's father climbed upon the wrsck, whils Graco herself hald the boat. Then one by one the worn-out ersw were helped on board. It was all that the girl could do to keep the frail hoat

from being drifted away, or broken upon the sharp edges of the rock.

Then her father clambered back into his place. Strong hands grasped the oars, and by and by all were safe in the light-house. There Grace proved to be no less tender as a nurse than she had been brave as a sailor. She cared most kindly for the shipwrecked men until the storm had died away and they were strong enough to go to their homes.

All this happened a long time ago, but the name of Graco Darling will never be forgotten. She lies buried now in a little churchyard by the sea, not far from her old home. Every year many people go there to see her grave; and there a monument has been placed in

honor of the brave girl.

It is not a large monument, but it is one that speaks of the noble deed which made Grace Darling famons. It is the figure carved in stone of a women lying at rest, with a boat's oar held fast in her right hand.

In The Dusk

By Edward G. Ivins

Mr. Ivins, a newspaper man, recently visited his "home town," writing the following beautiful poem after his return.

"Home!" Back in old familiar haunts at last; Back in the place where first ambitions, loves And sorrows came, and where I glimpsed the world, Beyond these circling hills, with leaping heart.

Yes, down this very street, long, long ago, So oft I heard a voice at even call— The low, sweet voice of mother, calling in Her tired boy from all his eager play A voice that even in command spoke most Of the deep mother love, a love that now We know as the one white and flawless gem In all this world of sham and counterfeit-That mother love It trembled through the dusk And all the perfume of the gardens seemed To mingle with its tones; the dim stars, too, Seemed part of it . . . And now and then come men, The grown up ghosts of boys I used to know.

These memories awaken at each step,— The dusk, the silver stars, the roses' scent, And, in the velvet shadows, still that voice, Calling so softly now across the years, Soon, soon I will go in, for lo, the night Comes on, and I would be safe in the House With her, and know at last the day is done And blessed sleep waits smilingly for me .

A Creed of Health for Every Man and

I WANT to be well—By "well" I mean positively, buoyantly well. I am not satisfied merely to be "not sick"—I believe that being completely well is the condition most fundamental to happiness and success-I realize that I cannot get something for nothing. I realize that to achieve buoyant health I must regulate my life in accordance with certain natural laws -But I am convinced that nothing which I must deny myself is worth a fraction of that which I will gain-Therefore I shall as far as possible live the natural life which makes for health.



The Little Half-Chick

Sara Cone Bryant

THERE was once upon a time a Spanish Hen, who hatched out some nice little chickens. She was much pleased with their looks as they came from the shell. One, two, three, came out plump and fluffy; but when the fourth shell broke, out came a little half-chick! It had only one leg and one wing and one eye! It was just half a chicken.

The hen-mother did not know what in the world to do with the queer little Half-chick. She was afraid something would happen to it, and she tried hard to protect it and keep it from harm. But as soon as it could walk the little Half-chick showed a most headstrong spirit, worse than any of its brothers. It would not mind, and it would go wherever it wanted to; it walked with a funny little hoppity-kick, hoppity-kick, and got along pretty fast.

One day the little Half-chick said, "Mother, I am off to Madrid, to see the King! Good-by."

The poor Hen-mother did everything she could think of, to keep him from doing so foolish a thing, but the little Half-chick laughed at her naughtily. "I'm for seeing the King," he said; "This life is too quiet for me." And away he went, hoppity-kick, hoppity-kick, over the fields.

When he had gone some distance the little Half-chick came to a little brook that was caught in the weeds and in much trouble.

"Little Half-chick," whispered the Water, "I am so choked with these weeds that I can-

not move; I am almost lost, for want of room; please push the sticks and weeds away with your bill and help me."

"The idea!" said the little Half-chick. "I cannot be bothered with you; I am off for Madrid, to see the King!" And in spite of the brook's hegging he went away, hoppity-kick, hoppity-kick.

A bit farther on, the Half-chick came to a Fire, which was smothered in damp sticks and in great distress.

"Oh, little Half-chick," said the Fire, "you are just in time to save me. I am almost dead for want of air. Fan me with your wing, I beg."

"The idea!" said the little Half-chick. "I cannot be bothered with you; I am off to Madrid, to see the King." And he went laughing off, hoppity-kick, hoppity-kick.

When he had hoppity-kicked a good way, and was near Madrid, he came to a clump of bushes, where the Wind was caught fast. The Wind was whimpering, and begging to be set free.

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"Little Half-chick," said the Wind, "You are just in time to help me; if you will brush aside these twigs and leaves; I can get my breath: help me, quickly!"

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"Ho! the idea!" said the little Half-chick.
"I have no time to bother with you. I am going to Madrid, to see the King." And he went off, hoppity-kick, hoppity-kick, leaving the Wind to smother.

After a while he came to Madrid and to the palace of the King. Hoppity-kick, hoppity-kick, the little Half-chick skipped past the



First Grade pupils, Hanna. Misses McFarlane and Keyes, teachers.

sentry at the gate, and hoppity-kiek, hoppity-kiek, he crossed the court. But as he was passing the windows of the kitchen the Cook looked out and saw him.

"The very thing for the King's dinner!" she said. "I was needing a chicken!" And she seized the little Half-chick by his one wing and threw him into a kettle of water on the fire.

The Water came over the little Half-chick's feathers, over his head, into his eyes. It was terribly uncomfortable. The little Half-chick eried out:

"Water, dou't drown me! Stay down, don't eome so high!"

But the Water said, "Little Half-chiek, little Half-chiek, when I was in trouble you would not help me," and eame higher than ever.

Now the Water grew warm, hot, hotter, frightfully hot; the little Half-ehiek eried ont, "Do not burn so hot, Fire; You are burning me to death! Stop!"

But the Fire said, "Little Half-ehiek, little Half-ehiek, when I was in trouble you would not help me," and burned hotter than ever.

Just as the little Half-ehiek thought he must suffocate, the Cook took the cover off, to look at the dinner. "Dear me," she said, "This chicken is uo good; it is burued to a einder." And she pieked the little Half-ehick up by one leg and threw him out of the window.

In the air he was eaught by a breeze aud taken up higher than the trees. Round and round he was twirled till he was so dizzy he thought he must perish. "Don't blow me so, Wind," he cried, "let me down!"

"Little Half-chiek, little Half-chiek," said the Wind, "when I was in trouble you would not help me!" And the Wind blew him straight up to the top of the church steeple, and stuck him there, fast!

There he stauds to this day, with his one eye, his one wing, and his one leg. He eannot hoppity-kiek any more, but he turns slowly around when the wind blows, and keeps his head toward it, to hear what it says.

The Boy We Like

The hoy who never makes fun of old age.
The boy who does not cheat in work or play.

The boy who never calls anybody bad names, no matter what anybody calls him.

The boy who is never cruel to animals.

The hoy who never lies. Even white lies leave black spots on the character.

The boy who never makes fun of a companion for something he could not help.

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The boy who says "No" when asked to do a thing

wrong.

The boy who is always courteous to women and pirls.

The boy who would "rather be right than be a king."

The Boy Who Recommended Himself

A GENTLEMAN advertised for a boy to assist him in his office, and nearly fifty applicants presented themselves to him. Out of the whole number he selected one and dismissed the rest. "I should like to know," said a friend, "on what ground you selected that boy, who had not a single recommendation."

"You are mistaken," said the gentleman, "he had a great many. Ho wiped his feel when he came in, and closed the door after him, showing that he was careful. He gave his seat instantly to that lame old man, showing that he was kind and thoughtful. He took off his cap when he came in, and answered my questions promptly, showing that he was polite and gentlemanly. He picked up the book, which I had purposely laid on the floor, and replaced it upon the table, while all the rest stepped over it, showing that he was orderly; and he waited quietly for his turn, instead of pushing and crowding. When I talked to him, I noticed that his clothing was tidy, his hair neatly brushed, and his finger uails clean. Do you not call these things letters of recommendation? I do."

(From "Ethics for Children" by E. L. Cabot)

The Daffodils

I wander'd lovely as a cloud That floats on high o'er vales and hills, When all at once I saw a crowd, A host of golden daffodils, Beside the lake, beneath the trees, Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

Continuous as the stars that shine And twinkle on the milky way, They stretch'd in never-ending line Along the margin of a bay; Ten thousand saw I at a glance Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.

The waves beside them danced, but they Out-did the sparkling waves in glee;—
A poet could not but be gay
Iu such a joeund company!
I gazed—and gazed—but little thought
What wealth the show to me had brought;

Too oft, when on my eough I lie
In vacant or in pensive mood,
They flash upon that inward eye
Which is the bliss of solitude;
And then my heart with pleasure fills,
And dances with the daffodils.

-William Wordsworth.

Mark Hanna On Savings

The town of Hanna, Wyoming, was named after Mark Hanna. Mr. Hauna onee said:

"If you want to he anything in life or in your community, savo money in a savings and loan association—and begin to do it right away. You can't start too early or too young. Saving puts a man together, makes him fit and ahle and ready to do things. Before you know it you are getting on, making monoy, and becoming a solid citizen. Nine out of every ten successful mon have grown up that way."



Superior

The new Italian Ladies' Society of Superior gave a dance during the month of May at the Union Hall. The Superior orchestra furnished the music.

Mark Goldy of Salt Lake City was visiting Mrs.

Frank Goldy a couple of weeks ago.

The Misses Ruby Hausen and Rosalie Young, and the Messrs, L. P. Williams and Tom Smith motored to Pinedale on May 1st, 1 uning Music Week the Superior schools observed

it by daily musical programs of different sorts—religious, patriotic and folk songs.

On Friday, May 1st, the Isaac Walton League of Superior gave a dance at the Opera House. The ladies brought a fine lunch. Superior orchestra furnished the music,

The Superior High School gave their second annual Coronation Ball in the Union Hall on Saturday, May 9th. The events of the evening were the "Crowning of the Queen," "Winding the May Pole," and some special dances.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Lindsey and small daughter have

gone to California.

Mrs. Tom Butler of Hanna was visiting her daugh-

ter, Mrs. J. McLenuan, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hellewell and small daughter, Verla, have moved to Farmington, Utah, where Mr. Hellewell has purchased a barber shop. Misses Addie Smith and Grace Moore of Ogden accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Hellewell on their trip.

The Superior school rooms were beautifully decorated when the teachers received parents to see the exhibition of the work done by the children during the last year. Superior is proud of its children and teach.

Mr. Roy MacKay is visiting his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Mackay.

Cumberland

Mrs. Muhlstien of Somerset, Colorado, has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Roy Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Reiva are the proud parents of a baby boy born May 5th.

The Lyman High School presented their school play ontitled "Paul Revere" to a large Cumborland audience the ovening of April 25th. Music was furnished by their High School orchestra.

The Ladies' Embroidery Club entertained their hus-

bands at a 500 party recently.

Miss Dolly Nesbit of Salt Lake City has been visit-

ing ber cousin, Miss Rose Gaspard.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Williams a son.

The last community dance of this season was given Saturday, May 2nd. The hostessos were Mesdames John Giorgis, Evan Reeso, James Rollins, Ernest Roughly and Caleb Dunn.

Mrs. Wright Walker, Mrs. W. H. Walsh, Mrs. Harold

Homan and Mrs. Tom Dodds have been bostesses to

the Embroidery Club within the last month.

Mrs. Axel Johnson and Mrs. Soth Akerlund motored to Salt Lake City recently to visit with relatives. Mr.

Akerlund reports the roads in good condition. Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Pari, a baby boy. Miss Hazel Bramer was a recent guest of Miss Eller

Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dodds have a now Ford coupe, Mrs. Richard Dexter spent a recent week-end visiting her parents at Salt Lake City.

Mrs. Ruth McLean has a new Nash closed car. Messrs, Lute Jensen, Tom Robinson, W. J. Robinson and Dave Ballantyne all have new cars.

Mr. Lyman Fearn made a business trip to Cheyenne recently.

Reliance

Reliance school was victor in the county spelling

contest held during May.

The small son of Pete Robinson is recovering from prolonged siege of the flu.

Mr. Graham, company electrician here, is contem-

plating a month's vacation soon.

Mrs. Jack Portwood is very ill at the Wyoming General Hospital. Her many friends are hoping for

her speedy recovery.

The Kensington Section of the Woman's Club was held May 8th at the home of Mrs. Thos. Foster with Mrs. Wm. Spence assisting. There were a number of invited guests present besides the members, and a dainty lineheon ended the pleasant evening.

Jim Sellers, who has been dangerously ill at the

hospital in Rock Springs, underweut an operation re-cently and is reported to be much improved.

At the May baby clinic held here a largo number of children were examined. Dr. Fuher presided as examining physician, with Mrs. Mabel Glasgow and several Reliance ladies ably assisting.

The May meeting of the Woman's Club was tho last until September, as the club suspends meetings dur-

ing vacation time.

At the regular business meeting of the Community Conneil for May, it was voted to pay the registration fees for the Girl Scout troop and plans for a community pool were discussed. A donation for welfare work was received from the Hospital Commission.

On Sunday, May 3rd, Reliance and Dines met on the diamond here in a practice game. The score was 5-2 in favor of Dines. May 10th they played again in the first league game of the season. Reliance won, 9 to 6.

The dance givon by the Community Council on May 2nd was well attended and greatly enjoyed. Supper was served at eleven o'clock and the Council extends a special vote of thanks to Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Korogi, Mrs. Ebeling, the Girl Scouts who served, Mr. Niekerson and all others who so kindly assisted in making the affair a success. After supper and a cup of Mr. Gibbs' famous coffoe, dancing was kept up till a late hour. Another dance will be givou in June. Mr. "Billy" Booth, our safety first man, loaves for

the Mayo Brothers' Hospital for treatment soon.



Hanna High School Faculty. From Left to Right; B. O. Saylere, C. Schroeder, W. W. Schneider, Supt.; Miseee Zoe Conditt, Ethel Lovitt, Adrienne Hammond, Gertrude Bliss, Carlyle Weinbrandt.

Rock Springs

Gavin Young, Matt Medill and Jas. Macdonald

have been on a fishing trip near Pinedale.

Mrs. J. V. McClelland is visiting with relatives in Denver.

M. J. Sturmaa has recovered from an injury roceived in No. 8 Mino and has returned to work.

The new Dodge trucks for the Material and Engincering Depts. have been received.

Clyde Crofts and family have been visiting with

relatives in Green Rivor.

Irvin Rodda has gone to the Jackson Hole country, where he expects to spend the summer.

Mrs. J. A. Becker has been on the sick list, but is now rapidly recovering.

Chas. Crofts is at his homo, where he is recovering from a recent operation for appendicitis.

W. L. White, who has been employed in No. 4 Mine, has left for his home in Illinois.

John Firmage, Sr., was hero from Salt Lake City to attend the funeral of Mike Rennie.

Ben Butler has been on the sick list the past ten days, but is now able to return to work again.

James Pryde is recovering from an operation for appeadicitis, which was performed at the Wyoming General Hospital.

A. T. Henkell has returned from a trip to Cumber-

land.

Joo Wise has put in a lawn at his home on Fourth Street.

Fred Russold has returned from a fishing trip to Lander Creek.

Mr. Sinelair of the J. A. Roeblings' Sons Company was a recent visitor at the mine office.

Meredith Stobaugh has returned from a trip to Salt Lako City.

Joe Kruljae, who has been managing the company boarding house, is now employed at the Chicago meat market.

Robert Armstron has been transferred from "E" Plane to No. 4 tipple.

John Christio has put in a lawn at his home on

Rainbow Ave. F. L. McCarty and Harry Brown have been on a fish-

ing trip on East Fork. Roy McDonald has left for a visit with relatives

at his old home in Illinois. Will and Charles Hanley have left for a trip to the

middle states. Mrs. William Woods is visiting with relatives in Hanna.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cress are the proud parents of a baby girl born on April 25th.

Bodie Stackich and family have gone to Utah, and Wm. Edwards has moved into the house vacated by Mr. Stackich on Tenth street.

Ted Norman and family have gone to Kemmerer, where they expect to spend the summer.

Hanna

Mrs. Wm. Jones gave a delightful party on April 4th, to which were invited Mr. and Mrs. Gus Collius, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Morgau, Mr. and Mrs. I. Roddn and others.

Father McBride motored to Saratoga April 13th. He

was accompanied by Mrs. Wm. Harrison.

On Sunday, April 12th, Mr. Robert Wright, Mrs. Henry Wright, Mrs. J. W. Jackson and son, Mrs. Robert Cardwell and "Uncle Bob" spent the day in Ft. Steele.

Mr. Lynwood Smith drove to the '76 ranch last week accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Rachel Smith,

and Mrs. H. Wright.
"Mirandy's Minstrels" or "Mrs. Black's Pink Tea," au amateur performance given by St. Margaret's Guild of the Episcopal church, was a tremendous success. Much credit is due Mrs. Williamson, the leader.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lee have returned from their vacation, which was spent in Salt Lake City.

Mr. Harry Phisterer expects to leave for Ogden, Utah, shortly, where he will take up a position for the Southern Pacific Railway.

Mass was said in St. Joseph's Catholic church every morning at 8 o'clock during the second week in May by Father McBride.

Mrs. J. W. Jackson, Mrs. H. Wright and Mrs. Colin Hodgson made a business trip to Rawlins, Tuesday, May 5th.

Mrs. Henry Peterson drove to Rawlins, Tuesday, May 5th, in her new Hudson sedan, accompanied by Mrs. Jas. Massey of Parco and Mrs. Wm. Harrison and daughters, Rose and Alice.

Mrs. Julian Choate, Mrs. Maggie Reese, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Collins and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dickinson spent the day at Pass Creek, Sunday, May 10th.

Mr. James Buckley of Cheyenne, editor of the Labor Journal, and Mrs. Bernard Donelly of Rawlins spent Mothers' Day with their mothers, Mrs. Robert Cox and Mrs. Mary Cook, here.



Health Club in Rock Springs Junior High School in class taught by Miss Ethel Soden

Winton

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Hetherington left May 13th for Great Falls, Montana, as word was received from there of the death of Bob's father.

A well merited attempt has been made by some of the Megeath horticulturists toward creating an oasis here. Thirty-six trees have been planted during the month, and reports from owners indicate that the trees show every sign that they will bear fruit.

Tom (Safety) Gibson has been with us for two

weeks inspecting the fire-fighting apparatus. Tests indicate that the apparatus is in good shape and additional fire fighting instruments have been recommended.

A Girl Scont troop has been organized and it is reported that about twenty five girls have joined. They

are looking forward to the summer camp.
On Sunday, May 10th, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Courtney made a return trip to Lander, driving through in the old Essex. "Court" reports the road in good condition except for two or three detours.

Quite a number of bids have been received by Mr. Foster, Mine Superintendent, for the sinking of the No. 3 Mine shaft. This shaft is to supply additional ventilation for the advanced workings of the mine. A fan house is to be installed over this shaft.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Deremiah and family have departed from Megeath for their future home in Illinois. "dim" McCormick is no longer among us, and his departure has set us to guessing about the future wheat production of the state. Last year Jim showed us some real samples of Wyoming wheat, raised on Wyoming land, and we are now wondering if the country is getting short on grain.

We grieve to hear of the continued illness of Mrs. Wm. Reid, who has been reported on the sick list for

the past month,

Emil Ross has been confined to the Wyoming General Hospital for the past few weeks, and is now successfully recovering from an operation for appen-

Some of our citizens proficient with the rod and reel have been unable to resist the lure of the stream, but at this writing we are inclined to believe that they are either getting more truthful about their catches, or something, somewhere is wrong.

Tono

Mr. Brnn is the proud possessor of a new Dodge sedan. Mr. Burton has a "Willies Nightmare" eedan.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Barber and daughter, Ruby, spent a recent week-end visiting in Wilkison.

Hooray! Summer has came! We can tell by the signs -Mr. and Mrs. Puckett, Mr. and Mrs. Androska, Mr. and Mrs. Friend, Mr. and Mrs. Shelton and John Klepach spent a recent Sunday picnicing at Lawrence

Mr. and Mrs. John Shnek motored to Tacoma recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Rae Dove spent a recent week-end at Westport

Mrs. Perry Richardson entertained a number of youngsters in honor of the eleventh birthday of her daughter, Lucille.
Mr. C. V. Rankin has a new Cleveland sedan, and

Burt Peterson has a Maxwell coupe.

Mr. and Mrs. Mardicett motored to Summit Lake on a recent Sunday.

Miss Olive Glissen of Centralia visited friends in Tono recently.

Joe Kruger was taken to the Centralia hospital to undergo some special treatment for his foot.
A crowd of Tono fight fans motored to Olympia to

see Johnny Hawkes whip George Dixon, colored, in the semi-finals. The featherweight championship of Southwestern and Central Washington was at stake.

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